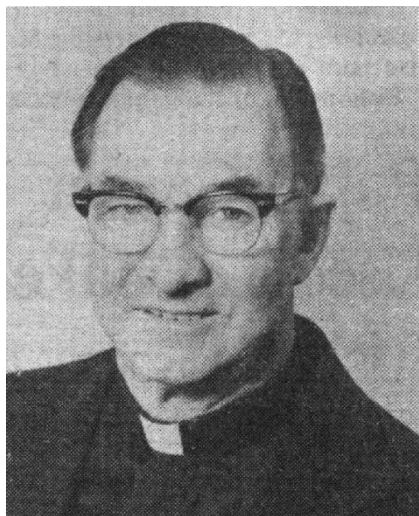


# Very Rev. Donald Clarence Denman

## 36<sup>th</sup> State Chaplain of Oregon 1977-79



Donald Clarence Denman was born on May 7, 1914 in Livingston, MT to Richard and Mae Ryan Denman.

He attended St. Joseph College in Mountain View, CA and then Catholic University of America. He received a master's degree in philosophy in 1938 from Catholic University. His theological training was at St. Edward Seminary, in Kenmore, WA, and he was ordained in Portland, OR in 1942 by Archbishop Edward Howard.

After ordination, he was associate at St. Mary Cathedral, Portland, OR for seven years and then in September 1949 became pastor of Star of the Sea Parish, Brookings, until 1952. From 1952 until 1958, he was pastor of St. Anthony Parish in Forest Grove. Subsequently he was pastor from 1958 until 1965 of St. Joseph Parish, Portland, from 1965 to 1969 of Sacred Heart Parish, Medford, and from 1969 to 1979 was pastor of St. John the Apostle Parish in Oregon City. His final pastorate was St. James Parish in Molalla, where he served from 1979 until his retirement in 1984.

Rev. Denman was the Oregon Knights of Columbus State Chaplain 1977-79.

After retirement he lived at St. John Vianney Retirement Residence in Portland, OR and then at Maryville Nursing Home.

Rev. Donald Clarence Denman died on September 10, 2006 at the Maryville Nursing Home in Beaverton, OR.

He is buried at the Mount Calvary Cemetery, Portland, OR.



*“All in all, do you not think that during the past several years we might have been traveling north when we should have been traveling south?” Rev. Donald Denman, November 20, 1992*

