

## Death of Rev. Father McDermott, C.S.S.R.

The death of the distinguished Redemptorist, Rev. Christopher McDermott, C.S.S.R., which took place at the Limerick Monastery on Sunday morning, was learned with extreme regret in the city, where he was well known and highly esteemed for his many priestly qualities. Deceased was one of the oldest members of the Arch-Confraternity of the Holy Family. A gifted preacher, he had conducted Retreats in all parts of Ireland, England, Scotland, Australia and New Zealand. In Limerick the Retreats he conducted for the religious communities attracted large and devout congregations. Born in 1817 73 years ago, the deceased was professed a member of the Order of the Most Holy Redeemer at an early age. Later he was ordained a priest at Teignmouth, England, and from there he went to Australia where he laboured until 1874.

His loss to the Redemptorist Order will be deeply felt, and in Limerick his passing will create a void in the religious life of the community, which will be difficult to fill. His devout and saintly disposition endeared him with everybody who sought spiritual aid and advice. He had a deep insight into human nature, and was ever ready to assist and help those in need.

### OBSEQUIES.

Boleian Office and Requiem Mass, at which His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Keane presided, was celebrated at 11 o'clock today at the Redemptorist Church for the repose of the soul of Rev. Father McDermott. The celebrant of the Mass was Very Rev. J. Fitzgerald, C.S.S.R., Provincial; deacon, Rev. Fr. Murray, C.S.S.R.; sub-deacon, Rev. Fr. O'Donnell, C.S.S.R., and master of ceremonies, Rev. Fr. Brasill, C.O., St. John's Cathedral.

The clergy present were:—Venerable Archdeacon Begley, P.P., V.P.; Very Rev. Canon O'Dwyer, P.P., V.P.; Very Rev. Canon Duane, P.P., V.P.; Very Rev. Canon Hannan, P.P.; Very Rev. Fr. Kerr, C.S.S.R., Rector; Very Rev. J. Gubbins, S.J., Rector; Very Rev. Fr. O'Connor, S.C., Rector Copswood College; Rev. Fr. Conolly, P.P.; Rev. Fr. Mangan, P.P.; Rev. Fr. Hogan, P.P.; Rev. Fr. Moloney, P.P.; Rev. Fr. Thornhill, P.P.; Rev. Fr. Condon, P.P., Newport; Rev. Fr. Rice, Adm., St. John's; Rev. Fr. O'Grady, C.O., do; Rev. Fr. McCarthy, C.O., St. Mary's; Rev. Fr. Costello, C.O., do; Rev. Fr. Mortell, C.O., St. Munchin's; Rev. Fr. Fitzpatrick, C.O., St. Michael's; Rev. Dr. Cowper, C.O., do; Rev. Fr. Godfrey, C.O., do; Rev. Fr. White, C.O., Ballingarry; Rev. Fr. O'Sullivan, C.O., Bruff; Rev. J. Funnassy, Springfield; Rev. Fr. Hartman, O.M.I., Dublin; Rev. Fr. Power, O.P.; Rev. Fr. Thomas, O.P.; Rev. Fr. O'Driscoll, O.S.A.; Rev. Fr. Hogan, O.S.A.; Rev. Fr. Dermot, O.F.M.; Rev. Fr. Virgil, O.F.M.; Rev. Fr. Gray, O.S., Copswood Col.; Rev. Fr. Leo, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Hunt, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Murphy, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Collier, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Mangan, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Doyle, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Treacy, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. O'Connell, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. McHugh, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Griffin, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Morgan, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Oogoa, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Hickey, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Madigan, C.S.S.R.; Rev. Fr. Power, C.S.S.R.

There was a large congregation present, and the interment took place in the crypt behind the High Altar.