

Priest Bereaved

First Mass Celebrated For Repose Of Father's Soul

A large funeral procession accompanied the remains of Mr Timothy D O'Connell, Caherline, to the Abbeyfeale Parish Church. Deceased belonged to an old and highly respected West Limerick family, and had attained the fine old age of 66. A touching incident in connection with his demise was its occurrence on the day prior to the ordination of his son to the priesthood at St Columban's, Dalgan Park, Galway. Fr O'Connell's first Mass was celebrated in St Mary's church for the repose of his father's soul, and his first office of the burial service was read by him at the interment in the old Abbey cemetery in the presence of a very large assemblage of the general public. A large number of Mass-card offerings were contributed by friends and relatives.