

Death of Fr. Flann Daffy, C.Ss.R., April 26th, 2015.

From the Provincial of the Cebu Province of Redemptorists, Fr. Nico Perez: an email sent to Fr Dan Baragry, C.Ss.R., Provincial Dublin Province, following the death of Fr. Flann Daffy, in Esker:

Yes kindly extend our prayers and condolences to Fr Flan's loved ones and the confreres. Fr Flan is gratefully remembered. We are now sharing here our numerous stories about Fr Flan especially those whom he has worked with. May he now watch over us. And may we share in his apostolic energy. Indeed he was a big man with a big heart for the ordinary people. The simple folks here easily remember him. I remember that in the Archdiocese of Palo, among the clergy, he was considered as an "institution". He indeed helped in what the Province has become today.

Nico

Funeral Mass of Fr. Flannan Daffy, C.Ss.R. The funeral Mass took place today, Wednesday April 29th, 2015, in Esker, near Athenry, for Fr. Flann. Present were his two brothers, Alan and Andy, with their wives Clare and Nan respectively. Present also were his two nephews and their wives, David and Aoife, Aidan and Ann, together with Sorcha and Tara, children of Aidan and Ann. Other relations, cousins, and friends of Fr. Flann attended. The Celebrant of the Mass was Fr. Dan Baragry C.Ss.R. Provincial of Dublin Province: the preacher was Fr. Pat Horgan C.Ss.R.. Bishop John Kirby presided. Both Frs. Dan and Pat had worked in the Philippines, and Fr. Pat was a specially close friend of Fr. Flann. Present also on the altar was Fr. Carlo Conde, currently based in London, who hails from Tacloban, and whose family were very close to Flann. Fr. René from Tacloban (currently in Dublin) attended, with some Filipino friends also. Quite a few Redemptorists were in attendance, from the different houses of the Dublin Province, and others were present last evening for the removal. Fr. Tom Shanahan, Carmelite, attended (having known Flann well over many years in Tacloban). as well as a number of other priests from the Clonfert Diocese, and from Tuam Archdiocese, and one Columban priest, a neighbour from near Esker.

May the Lord let his face shine on you, Fr. Flann, and take you 'to the bosom of Abraham'.

(See 'Comments' below)

Esker Community: The death has occurred today, Good Shepherd Sunday, April 26, 2015,



Fr. Flann Daffy, on St. Patrick's Day 2015.

of Fr. Flannan Daffy, Redemptorist, a member of this community in Esker, Athenry, County Galway. May his dear soul rest in peace.

Fr. Flann died in University Hospital Galway at 13.45 hrs today. He had been in hospital for about nine days, and became seriously ill on Thursday evening last. Since that time, somebody has been by his side continuously.

A native of Ennis, County Clare, Fr. Flann was born on Dec. 13th 1931. His family ran a well-known car-dealership in Ennis at that time. After his



Fr. Flann, in the Philippines.

Ordination, Fr. Flann went to the Philippines, and worked in that mission for about 55 years. He returned to Ireland over three years ago, and has been in our Esker community since about that time. He is survived by two brothers, Alan and Andy, two sisters-in-law, Clare and Nan, and two nephews, Aidan and David and their families.

FUNERAL ARRANGMENTS: Father Flannan Daffy, C.Ss.R. , Redemptorist Community, Esker, Co. Galway, died peacefully at University Hospital Galway, Sunday 26th April 2015. Deeply regretted by brothers, Alan and Andy, their wives, Clare and Nan, nephews David and Aidan, their wives Aoife and Ann, grandnieces Sorcha and Tara, grandnephew Joe, his Redemptorist confrères, his many friends, and those he ministered to over the years (especially in Tacloban, Cebu and Iloilo). Reposing at Esker Monastery, Tuesday, 6.30 pm -7.30pm, removal to Esker Church at 7.30pm. Funeral Mass at 12 noon in Esker Church on Wednesday 29th of April; burial in the community cemetery. He is deeply regretted by his Redemptorist confreres, in the Philippines and in Ireland. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis!



Fr. Flann in the Philippines,- he spent over 50 years ministering there.



Flann, a man of prayer.