

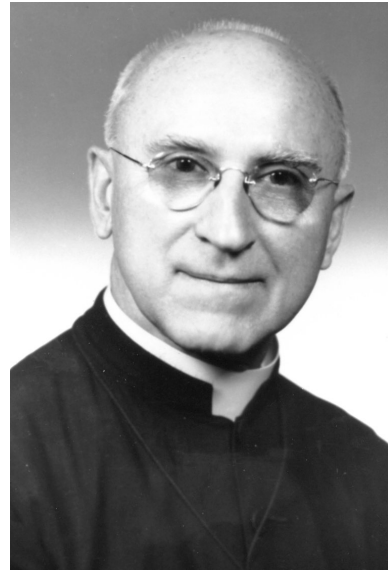
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October 22nd

Brother Theophilus (Aloysius) Machalinski, c.s.c.

born: 20 October 1891

died: 22 October 1989



Theophilus was born in Erie, Pennsylvania and attended schools there. He joined Holy Cross in 1905. He went to the juniorate, at Notre Dame, where he completed his high school program. He attended the novitiate and made his first vows in 1909. His first teaching assignment was to Holy Trinity in 1912 where he spent the next 22 years. As the Principal, he was able to undertake the building of a new Holy Trinity which was completed in 1928. He attended summer schools at Notre Dame, earned his bachelor's degree in 1922 and a master's in 1925, with never a grade less than 90%. In 1934 he earned a scholarship to attend the University of Warsaw in Poland, spending a few years before the Nazi occupation forced him to return. He taught in New Orleans, Taunton, Long Beach and Sherman Oaks, California. In 1954 he returned to teach at Holy Trinity until 1961. He spent a total of 33 years of dedicated service there. Theophilus was a pioneer in the Catholic Action movement and a member of the national board of Young Christian Students organization. He maintained a youthful, vigorous interest in teaching (even in his 80s) at Archbishop Hoban High (for 11 years) and St. Edward High (for 7 years). Above all, he devoted himself to enriching the lives of the students he taught.

*If your gift is teaching, then use it for teaching all
those in need. -- Romans 12:7*

*A teacher affects eternity: he can never tell
where his influence stops. -- Henry Adams*