

In Memory

Dear Friends,

All of us at Scarboro Missions give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received in the service of God's mission since the Society's founding in 1918. Scarboro Missions and the Canadian Church are grateful to our loving Creator whose Spirit has worked through so many Scarboro priests and lay missionaries.

We remember the deceased priests and lay missionaries with fondness. Many are buried in their places of mission overseas. We honour the wonderful memories that they have left us. The seeds they planted continue to bear fruit and, with God's blessing, will do so for years to come. We look back with profound thankfulness for their missionary vocation and service, both overseas and in Canada.

We extend our gratitude to their families and to the many friends and benefactors of Scarboro Missions. We assure you of our prayers and we will always be grateful for your prayers for us. Thank you!

In the Risen Christ,

Rev. Ron MacDonell, SFM
Superior General

In this memorial booklet, the deceased members of Scarboro Missions appear in chronological order according to the date of their death.



Rev. James Duncan McGillivray, SFM

June 2, 1897 – August 6, 1935

Born: Low Point, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: December 20, 1931
 Buried: Lishui, Zhejiang Province, China

Fr. James McGillivray died of malaria in China in 1935. It was the first death of a Scarborough priest. Fr. McGillivray had entered China Mission Seminary in 1928 and his years there endeared him to every member of the Institute. He possessed the characteristics of holiness and humour. Ordained in his own parish of Glace Bay on December 20, 1931, he went to China in October of 1932 in the company of Fr. William McNabb. Shortly after his arrival in Chuchow (renamed Lishui in 1935) Prefecture he was entrusted by his superior with the difficult and exacting duties of mission procurator, duties he zealously performed up to the day of his tragic death a short three and a half years later. A saintly, joyful priest imbued with the spirit of sacrifice for the cause of Christ in China, he sealed that life of sacrifice by his death among the people for whom he had so gladly and generously given himself.



Rev. Aaron Clement Gignac, SFM

August 14, 1902 – October 30, 1940

Born: Windsor, Ontario
 Ordained: May 5, 1929
 Buried: Lishui, Zhejiang Province, China

Fr. Aaron Gignac, one of the pioneer students who joined Fr. Fraser soon after the establishment of the China Mission in Almonte, Ontario, died in China on October 31, 1940, following an operation for appendicitis. Fr. Hugh Sharkey said, "He was one of the Old Guard of Almonte days and was truly a pioneer in our district of Chuchow — always sincere, enthusiastic, and persevering...He was always just himself, and we all loved him for his unaffected, natural ways." Ordained in 1929, Fr. Gignac went to China with Frs. Sharkey, Stringer and Boudreau, filling important posts as pastor in Lishui and in other large regions. He was very proficient in the Chinese language, doing special studies in Shanghai and Peking, and was language teacher to new missionaries arriving in Lishui. Fr. Gignac was home on furlough in 1938 and returned to China in 1939 to begin serving as procurator for the Prefecture of Lishui. He is buried in Lishui, next to Fr. Jim McGillivray who died four years earlier.



Rev. Vincent Morrison, SFM

December 9, 1883 – October 7, 1950

Born: Prince Edward Island
 Ordained: June 16, 1924
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Vincent Morrison died suddenly in a car accident on Kingston Road, a mile from the St. Francis Xavier Seminary. He had joined the band of missionaries being formed by John Mary Fraser shortly after the seminary was opened in Almonte, Ontario. He went on to become the third person to be ordained for Scarboro Missions and left for China in 1925 where he spent a total of 18 years of his priestly life. He received the name "Mo" from the Chinese, a name that stuck with his Scarboro Missions confreres. Fr. Rollie Roberts remembers Fr. Mo as "a man's man, a true missionary and a sterling priest. Here was a man who had never grown old."



Monsignor John Edward McRae, SFM

April 9, 1875 – February 5, 1955

Born: Moulinette, Ontario
 Ordained: July 17, 1898
 Buried: St. Andrews, Ontario

To anyone interested in the Scarboro story, the most significant role after John Mary Fraser belongs forever to another tall, austere Scottish-Canadian named John Edward McRae. In August 1924, at 49 years of age, Fr. McRae readily accepted an invitation from the mission college's governing bishops to assume the post of president of the newly-formed St. Francis Xavier China Mission Seminary, now located near St. Augustine's Seminary in Scarborough. For the next 17 often trying years he remained in this position. In 1939, Pope Pius XII honoured him with the title of monsignor and in 1941 he was elected by his peers as the first superior general of the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society as the institute became known. The fourth General Chapter in 1968 recognized "the very large role played by the late Msgr. John E. McRae during half of the Society's first 50 years," and officially recognized him as co-founder, stating, "Whatever growth the Society made between 1924 and 1949 must in very large measure be attributed to him."



Rev. William Cox, SFM

February 24, 1912 – February 18, 1955

Born: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: December 20, 1941
 Buried: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia

"I was privileged to know Fr. Cox intimately," said Msgr. Robert Hymus. "He accompanied me in the first group of our priests to work in Santo Domingo in 1943. He had been bursar and then superior of our Nazareth House at St. Mary's, Ontario, following his return to Canada owing to eye trouble. In 1949, when only eight years in the priesthood, Chapter elected him a member of the General Council." Three years later, Fr. William Cox was put in charge of the Society's finances. While at the Nazareth House novitiate, Fr. Cox helped the young students learn to be practical missionaries by teaching them trades that he had worked at before entering the seminary. One priest shared that whenever he wrote to Fr. Cox, he would add the initials D.M.L. (Doctor of Manual Labour) after the name. Despite his busy schedule Fr. Cox found time to help in parish work and was scheduled to preach a series of Lenten sermons at Our Lady's Church in Guelph before his sudden and unexpected death at 43 years of age.



Rev. James Colin MacIntosh, SFM

April 27, 1920 – August 29, 1956

Born: St. Andrews, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: June 5, 1948
 Buried: St. Andrews, Nova Scotia

Fr. James MacIntosh was killed in a plane crash in the Aleutian Islands, Alaska, on his way back to Japan. He had been on furlough in Canada and was returning to mission in the company of newly ordained Fr. Vince McGough who was also killed. Fr. Jim had been one of the first priests to be assigned to Japan and served there for eight years. While home on furlough, he had given a talk at the seminary, thrilling the students and priests, including Fr. McGough, with stories of mission life in Japan. He loved the Japanese people and earned their love and respect in return. As pastor in Nagoya, he oversaw the construction of St. Mary's Church, which opened in 1953. The church stands as a lasting memorial to the life and work of this modern follower in the footsteps of St. Francis Xavier.

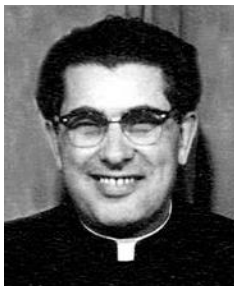


Rev. Vincent James McGough, SFM

July 26, 1929 – August 29, 1956

Born: Toronto, Ontario
 Ordained: December 17, 1955
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Newly ordained Fr. Vincent McGough was killed in an airplane crash on his way to Japan, his first mission assignment. He was 27 years old. His dedication and determination can be summed up in the old saying which he often quoted and must have learned in childhood: "Whatever you do, do with your might. Things done by halves are never done right." May the youth of today be inspired by his zeal and the selfless surrender of his life to God to take up the work that he so generously wanted to do. Aided by his help from Heaven, may young people carry on the great missionary work of the church.



Rev. Louis Arthur Venedam, SFM

May 16, 1899 – March 8, 1958

Born: Pomquet, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: November 2, 1930
 Buried: Pomquet, Nova Scotia

Fr. Venedam went to China in October 1931 and five years later was recalled to Canada to campaign for funds and students for the Society. In 1938 he returned to China and six years later he was appointed pro-prefect of Lishui, the mission region assigned to Scarboro priests. When the communists took over the country, all missionaries still in the country were gradually restricted in their movements. In July 1952 Fr. Venedam was arrested and imprisoned for two years. He later wrote of his ordeal in the story, "Away with him," featured in the January 1955 issue of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. Day after day he was subjected to brainwashing, interrogations, and solitary confinement, but his jailers could not break his intrepid Catholic spirit. However, the harsh treatment and malnutrition undermined his health and made him almost blind. With his release, he made his way home to Canada and spent a year recuperating at St. Joseph du Moine parish in the Diocese of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. In 1955 he was appointed to Scarboro's Chinese Catholic Mission in Victoria, British Columbia, and died just three years later.



Rev. Paul Kam, SFM

March 19, 1897 – February 1, 1958

Born: Da Zie, Taichowfu, China
 Ordained: June 25, 1925
 Buried: Qingtian, China

When Monsignor Fraser crossed the Pacific to Canada in 1918 he brought catechist Paul Kam with him. Paul had expressed his desire to become a missionary priest and then return to serve in his homeland of China. When Fraser finally opened China Mission Seminary in Almonte, Ontario, in November 1918, Paul Kam was his first and only student. In time, Paul would lead the other students in their study of the Chinese language. On June 25, 1925, Paul became the first native Chinese to be ordained a Catholic priest in Canada. In 1952, after Fr. Kam served 25 years in the Lishui mission in China, the military police arrested him in the parish compound, along with Fr. Arthur Venedam. The remaining Scarboro priests were expelled from the country in 1954, but Fr. Kam was imprisoned until 1957 and subjected to harsh treatment. Upon his release, he made his way back to the parish house in Qingtian and was cared for by the community. He died the following year and is buried in a Buddhist cemetery in Qingtian. The story of the last months of his life and the location of his grave was learned nearly 50 years later by Scarboro missionaries visiting the Lishui region.



Rev. Desmond Eoin Stringer, SFM

June 12, 1903 – April 23, 1959

Born: Ottawa, Ontario
 Ordained: June 7, 1928
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Stringer, one of the pioneer members of the Society, joined the newly formed China Mission College in Almonte, Ontario, in September 1921. He began his missionary life in China, sailing for the Orient in October 1929. With Japan's invasion of China during World War II, Fr. Des was part of the exodus of missionaries who travelled 2,500 kilometres in 1942 trying to stay ahead of the Japanese army. When he returned to Canada he was appointed to the Chinese Catholic Mission in Victoria, British Columbia, where he worked from 1944 until his appointment as co-editor of *China* magazine in 1946. Fr. Stringer's death stills a voice that was dedicated to the Mother of God. By word of mouth, in his editorials and articles, and in his book, *Her Plan for Peace*, he spread Mary's Fatima message.



Rev. Joseph Edmund Lachapelle, SFM

May 9, 1891 – March 12, 1961

Born: St. Francois du Lac, Quebec City
 Ordained: May 8, 1923
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Joseph LaChapelle joined Fr. John Mary Fraser's fledgling group at China Mission College in Almonte, Ontario, for studies towards the missionary priesthood and became the first priest ordained for the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society. After his ordination in 1923, he left for China, arriving in Hong Kong on December 20 where he began his study of the Chinese language. Chronic health issues forced him to return home in 1927, after five years of missionary work.



Rev. Lawrence P. McAuliffe, SFM

September 23, 1912 – July 7, 1962

Born: Ennismore, Ontario
 Ordained: November 30, 1935
 Buried: Yamasa, Dominican Republic

Fr. Lawrence P. McAuliffe, pastor of the parish of Yamasa in the Dominican Republic, died suddenly in the mission station of Esperavilla on July 7, 1962. The funeral took place the same day in the chapel of Our Lady of Altagracia and burial was at the local cemetery in Esperavilla. Fr. McAuliffe had gone to China in 1936 and studied Chinese for two years in Lishui and in Shanghai. In 1938 he was assigned as curate in Tsingtien and later Kinhwa. From 1939 to 1944 he served as pastor in various mission stations. He returned to Canada in 1945 and after a year of promotion work he spent the next four years as pastor of the Chinese Catholics in Vancouver, British Columbia. In 1951 he was assigned to Scarboro's mission in the Dominican Republic as curate in Monte Plata and in Yamasa before taking over as pastor in Yamasa in 1954, a post he held until his death.

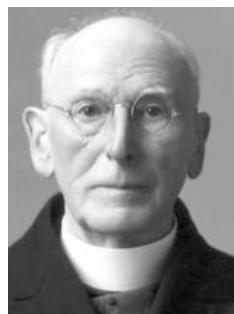


Rev. Cameron Hugh MacDonald, SFM

December 20, 1913 – July 19, 1962

Born: New Aberdeen, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: December 17, 1938
 Buried: Montreal, Quebec

For six years Fr. MacDonald served as chaplain with the Canadian Army in Nova Scotia, Italy, Belgium, France, Germany and England. While in Italy he received the Military Cross for "devotion and courage above and beyond the call of duty." After the war he was assigned to Scarboro's mission in the Dominican Republic. In 1953 he assumed the post of bursar at the Society's Nazareth House novitiate in St. Mary's, Ontario, and was responsible for building the beautiful shrine on the grounds. He also held posts in the Chinese Catholic Mission, Vancouver, British Columbia, in the Public Relations Department of the Society and as chaplain at Scarborough General Hospital.



Monsignor, John A. Mary Fraser, SFM *Founder of Scarboro Missions*

June 28, 1877 – September 3, 1962

Born: Clinton Street, Toronto
 Ordained: July 14, 1901
 Buried: Osaka, Japan

On July 14, 1901, John Fraser was ordained a priest by the Archbishop of Genoa and took the name John Mary according to the custom of the day upon receiving Holy Orders. Although ordained a diocesan priest he was designated a "missionary at large" under the direction of the Propagation of the Faith and assigned by Rome to Ningpo, China. By late December 1902 he arrived in Shanghai, the first English-speaking secular priest from North America to set foot in China. In June 1918 he returned to Canada once more. In October of that year a decisive breakthrough occurred when Fraser accepted an invitation from Fr. Cavanaugh in the town of Almonte, near Ottawa, to buy the property of the Sisters of St. Joseph and establish his missionary college. The archbishop gave his blessing to the proposal on November 9, 1918, which from that time on has been celebrated as Founder's Day. The following year saw Fr. Fraser in Rome where he reported the founding of the college to Propagation officials and received Pope Benedict XV's blessing on the new institute. Unable to return to China as a result of the Communist takeover, he was given a new mission appointment to Japan in 1950 at the age of 73. There he continued his work of building churches, beginning with the rebuilding of a church in Nagasaki that had been destroyed by the atomic bomb. Fr. Gerald Kelly in Japan marvelled at his undiminished zeal, saying, "He pursued with a determined and boundless faith, with a visionary simplicity, the road to eternal life."



Rev. Francis Thomas O'Grady, SFM

April 27, 1916 – January 15, 1964

Born: Ottawa, Ontario
 Ordained: December 21, 1940
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Francis Thomas O'Grady was ordained a priest for Scarboro Missions on December 21, 1940, and began serving at Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Ottawa. In 1942 he returned to the University of Ottawa to obtain his Ph.D. in philosophy and began teaching at St. Francis Xavier Seminary in 1944. In 1946 he was appointed vice rector of the seminary as well as assistant editor of *China* magazine. In October 1950 he was appointed to mission in the Dominican Republic. After 10 years he was recalled to Canada to work with the Canadian Catholic Bishops Conference as director of its Office for Latin America, where he remained until his death four years later.



Rev. Leonard John Harold Murphy, SFM

August 6, 1912 – March 29, 1965

Born: Kingston, Ontario
 Ordained: November 30, 1935
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Murphy sailed for Lishui on the *Empress of Russia* on October 31, 1936, in the company of eight other Scarboro missionaries. Of his time in China he wrote: "There is among foreign missionaries a pride, a sense of honour, the feeling that our work is the noblest of them all! It is the essential inspiration that keeps a fellow happy over here." With the communist takeover of the country in 1949 restrictions were put on the travel of Fr. Murphy and other foreign missionaries. During those years, Fr. Murphy contributed many articles to *Scarboro Missions* magazine of his life among the Chinese. After returning home, Fr. Murphy was assigned in 1961 as a spiritual director at the seminary, a position he held until his sudden death. Fr. Murphy wrote, "Listen to the heart of Christ as it pleads with you to give yourself to Him in a life of love...I mean love in its true sense, of giving and giving until it hurts, love that calls for courage and strength and sacrifice!"

**Rev. James Arthur MacKinnon, SFM****September 30, 1932 – June 22, 1965**

Born: New Victoria, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 19, 1959
Buried: Monte Plata, Dominican Republic

June 22, 1965, is a date never to be forgotten in the history of the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society. On that day Fr. James Arthur MacKinnon of New Victoria, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, was assassinated in the Dominican Republic outside the town of Monte Plata where he was pastor. Fr. MacKinnon's death was a result of his advocacy on behalf of the people of his parish who had been unjustly imprisoned. This was during a time of unrest and civil war, four years after the death of the dictator Rafael Trujillo. Because of his efforts to relieve the suffering of his people, Fr. Art came to share that suffering through the sacrifice of his life. "We have lost a true missionary," Fr. Paul Ouellette said, "but our sorrow is modified by the knowledge that God has given us a modern martyr who fearlessly spoke the truth and willingly offered up his life for the cause of social justice."

**Rev. Michael Leo Curtin, SFM****July 20, 1898 – June 26, 1966**

Born: Corkery, Ontario
Ordained: July 25, 1922
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Ordained to the priesthood as a member of the Ottawa diocesan clergy, Fr. Curtin served as pastor and curate in the Diocese of Ottawa until 1934 when he joined the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society. He left for China in 1935, was appointed Vicar Delegate of Lishui Prefecture in 1937, and appointed Pro-Prefect for the Prefecture of Lishui in 1941. He was forced to flee with the other missionaries before the advancing Japanese army. When the tide of battle changed he led the return to the missions and organized reconstruction efforts. In 1944 he returned to Canada and took on the position of Secretary General to the General Council. In 1946 he was sent to the Dominican Republic for two years, returning to Canada to serve as assistant director of the Society's novitiate in St. Mary's, Ontario, eventually being named superior of the novitiate. In 1957 he was appointed to mission in St. Vincent and it was there that he first noted symptoms of the cancer that finally took his life.

**Rev. Michael Roland MacSween, SFM****April 13, 1911 – June 5, 1967**

Born: Ironville, Nova Scotia
Ordained: June 9, 1940
Buried: Boisdale, Nova Scotia

After his ordination in 1940, Fr. MacSween set sail for China that year in the company of Fr. Tom McQuaid and began language studies in Peking (Beijing). In 1943 he was interned in a concentration camp for the duration of the Sino-Japanese War and was returned to Canada in 1944. A few months later he was appointed to the Dominican Republic for nine years. Back in Canada, Fr. MacSween worked on the public relations staff for 10 years, and in 1964 he was appointed superior of Scarboro House, a residence for the priests studying at the Coady International Institute at St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia. He died there of a heart attack three years later.

**Rev. Lawrence Martin Hart, SFM****August 16, 1917 – July 20, 1967**

Born: Ottawa, Ontario
Ordained: December 21, 1940
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

After ordination, Fr. Larry's first assignment was to the Chinese Mission in Victoria, British Columbia, as assistant to Fr. William Matte. In 1943 he was assigned to St. Anne's Chinese Mission in Toronto until his appointment to the Dominican Republic in 1945. He served there for the next 20 years, except for two years when he was called home to do promotion work for the Society in the Ottawa-Cornwall region. While in the Dominican Republic he was asked by regional superior Fr. Alphonse Chafe to promote the Legion of Mary and he did this with diligence. Fr. Hart saw the Legion as "a wonderful opportunity for zealous Catholics to work as lay apostles under the direct guidance of the priest." He returned to Canada in 1965 for health reasons and died two years later.



Rev. William Keller Amyot, SFM

December 20, 1898 – November 5, 1968

Born: Ottawa, Ontario
 Ordained: February 6, 1927
 Buried: Royal Oak, Victoria, British Columbia

Fr. Amyot talked about his motivation for joining Scarboro Missions saying, "It was a brand new venture as far as the church in Canada went, and they (the pastors) couldn't believe it had any possibility of success. This didn't worry me. I wanted to go to the missions and, for me, 'the missions' was China." In October 1928, Fr. Amyot left for China as part of the Society's third departing mission band. Ten years later he returned to Canada after becoming critically ill with a heart ailment. In 1940 he was appointed business manager of *China*, precursor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. In 1942 he was appointed vice rector of the seminary and in 1943 became the first superior of the novitiate in St. Mary's. In 1959 he was appointed pastor of the Chinese Catholic Mission in Victoria, British Columbia. From 1962 until his death he served in the city of Victoria as chaplain to the Sisters of the Love of Jesus.



Monsignor William Cecil McGrath, SFM

April 29, 1896 – July 13, 1970

Born: St. John's, Newfoundland
 Ordained: June 29, 1921
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

A moral theologian, Fr. McGrath joined the teaching staff of the St. Francis Xavier China Mission Seminary in 1922. This gifted man would have a marked influence on the young institute as a teacher and administrator, and as a forceful preacher and colourful journalist. Within a few months of his arrival the talented Fr. McGrath was appointed to the college's five-member board of governors. From 1923 to 1931 he took on the additional responsibility of editor of *China* magazine, succeeding the magazine's first editor, Monsignor John Mary Fraser. In 1931 Fr. McGrath sailed for China and the following year was appointed first Prefect-Apostolic of the Society's mission in Chuchow (renamed Lishui in 1935) and honoured with the title of monsignor. In 1935 he published *A Dragon At Close Range* a notable contribution to mission literature detailing his experiences of mission in China. In 1939 he returned to Canada and at the 1941 General Chapter he was elected to the General Council as Vicar General. In 1946 Monsignor McGrath resigned from his post on Council and began what was to be a 19-year pilgrimage with the statue of the Virgin of Fatima. The pilgrimages continued in Canada until 1963 and then in the United States until 1968.

**Rev. John Basil O'Grady, SFM****May 27, 1931 – May 16, 1971**

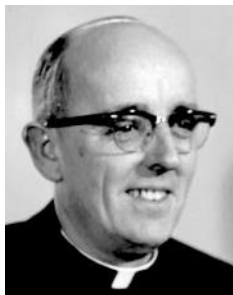
Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 20, 1958
Buried: Family Plot, Toronto, Ontario

Fr. John Basil O'Grady passed away from a heart attack at the age of 40. After ordination he was appointed to Scarboro's Bahamas mission in 1959 and remained there until 1969 serving in Nassau, Harbour Island, Bimini, Gregorytown, Rock Sound and Governor's Harbour. In 1968 he was recalled to serve as Secretary for the Society's 4th General Chapter after which he returned briefly to the Bahamas. Fr. O'Grady attended Loyola University in Chicago for the 1969-70 academic year, obtaining a Master's Degree in Education. He was then granted a leave of absence during which time he suffered a fatal heart attack.

**Rev. Alexander J. MacDonald, SFM****May 28, 1902 – October 21, 1972**

Born: Montreal, Quebec
Ordained: February 24, 1930
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Alexander "Sandy" MacDonald was the first ordination in the new seminary chapel at 2685 Kingston Road in Scarborough, Ontario. After ordination in 1930, he served as circulation manager of *China* magazine, later known as *Scarboro Missions* magazine, and also as seminary bursar. In 1941 he was elected to the General Council and appointed Treasurer General. In 1952, after completing his term on Council, he continued as seminary bursar. In 1961 he relinquished all active positions due to increasingly poor health.

**Rev. John Patrick Kelly, SFM****January 7, 1913 – November 17, 1972**

Born: Sebastopol, Ontario
Ordained: August 15, 1936
Buried: Nassau, Bahamas

Fr. Kelly was in China from 1938 to 1944. He was part of the mass exodus of Scarboro priests and Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception seeking safety from the Japanese army that had invaded China during the Sino-Japanese war. In 1947 he returned to China, was made regional superior there in 1948 and was called home a year later to participate in the Second General Chapter of the Society. With foreigners unable to re-enter China after the Communist government takeover in 1949, he took post-graduate studies in canon law at the University of Ottawa and obtained his Doctorate in 1950. From 1953 to 1961 Fr. Kelly joined the staff at St. Francis Xavier Seminary as professor of Missiology, Mission Law and Latin. In 1961 he was appointed the first superior of Scarboro's mission in St. Vincent, West Indies. After completing his term of office, he was assigned to Our Lady of Fatima Church in St. Lucia. In 1971 he was appointed to mission in the Bahamas where he died suddenly.

**Rev. William Joseph Matte, SFM****January 11, 1911 – June 4, 1973**

Born: Chichester, Quebec
Ordained: September 21, 1935
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

From his ordination until 1940 Fr. Matte worked as a missionary in China. He was recalled to Canada to assume the post of superior of the Chinese Catholic mission in Victoria, British Columbia. In March of 1946 he was appointed to the Dominican Republic where he served until 1956. In August 1959 Fr. Matte was appointed bursar of Nazareth House, the Society's novitiate in St. Mary's, Ontario. In 1960 he was assigned to St. Vincent in the West Indies and became bursar. From 1968 until his death, he was assistant pastor of Our Lady of Fatima parish in Castries, St. Lucia.

**Rev. Raymond Joseph McCarthy, SFM****October 20, 1921 – April 3, 1975**

Born: Lancaster, New Brunswick
Ordained: December 8, 1954
Buried: St. John, New Brunswick

Before joining the seminary, Fr. McCarthy served in the Royal Canadian Air Force and was decorated by His Majesty George VI in May 1945 with the British Empire Medal. The citation said that while severely injured, Fr. McCarthy had assisted in the rescue of two of his companions who were critically injured and trapped in the debris of a demolished ammunition room where ammunition was exploding. Fr. Ray was ordained a priest on December 8, 1954, and after a short stint in the Society's promotion department, was appointed to Guyana where he worked for 10 years. In 1966 he returned to Canada for an operation on a brain tumour. Recovering from this, he devoted the rest of his priestly life to chaplaincy work in New Brunswick. His last work was chaplain at Rocmaura, a senior citizens home run by the Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception.

**Rev. Lorne Edward McFarland, SFM****March 22, 1911 – March 10, 1976**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: September 23, 1934
Buried: St. Augustine's, Scarborough, Ontario

China was the only mission the young Scarboro Society had at the time of Fr. McFarland's ordination and in 1936 he began his missionary work in that great land only to be forced to leave in 1943 due to the Asia-Pacific War of World War II. From 1943 he worked in Scarboro's Chinese Catholic Mission in Victoria, British Columbia, until he was appointed to the new mission in Japan in 1951, serving for a time as regional superior. Returning to Canada in 1956 he was assigned to the Vancouver Chinese mission as pastor. During the third General Chapter of the Society in 1959, he was elected to leadership as assistant general. From 1968 until his death he held important positions in the administration of the Society.



Rev. John Edward McCarthy, SFM

June 26, 1909 – November 23, 1976

Born: Montreal, Quebec
 Ordained: December 21, 1940
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

After ordination, Fr. McCarthy served for six years as an assistant at the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver. In 1947 he was assigned to the Dominican Republic where he worked for almost 30 years, serving in many mission stations. In 1968 he opened a residence in Santo Domingo to meet the acute housing demand of students wishing to attend university. Fr. McCarthy returned to Canada in the summer of 1975 because of an illness that finally took his life. Shortly before his death he wrote a message to all his friends: "Thanks to the Lord Jesus for coming to us at Christmas and every time we are able to invoke His Holy Name. He gave me light and life on my birthday, the same as He did the first Christmas night...Probably by Christmas I shall have met Him face to face and will ask Him a special blessing on all the wonderful friends through whom I have come to know Him — Calgarians, Chinese, and Dominicans...and those here in Scarboro..."



Rev. Stephen Alphonsus Chafe, SFM

October 1, 1905 – December 12, 1976

Born: St. Mary's, Newfoundland
 Ordained: November 2, 1930
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Alphonse "Fons" Chafe was ordained in the St. Francis Xavier Seminary chapel by Bishop Lefebvre of Ningpo, China, in November 1930. In 1931 he became editor of *China* magazine and held this office until 1939 when he was appointed vice rector of the seminary. From 1941-43, he was pastor of the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver. In November 1943 he was made regional superior of the Dominican Republic where he remained until 1949 when he was elected vicar general of the Society. He also served as superior of Scarboro House in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and as director of Public Relations at the Society's central house in Scarborough, working in Society promotion for 12 years and preaching in the US and Canada. Among his fellow Scarboro priests, "Fons" was loved for his openness and warmth, his sense of humour and balance. He was a gentle, faith-filled man who respected others. After Fons died, Fr. Buddy Smith wrote: "Today is a sad and quiet day around the house at Scarboro because it is the first day in over 50 years that Fons Chafe is not in the midst of things here. Each one of us has had his life touched in some way by this man, as my own life was changed in meeting him. Today, in many different parts of the world, we all remember."



Rev. John Joseph MacDonald, SFM

June 23, 1903 – March 20, 1978

Born: Windsor, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: January 25, 1931
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. John "Chook" MacDonald set sail for China on October 10, 1931, on the Empress of Canada. After language study, he was appointed assistant to Fr. Hugh Sharkey at Tsingtien in the diocese of Lishui. In 1936 he became bursar in Lishui but in 1938 had to return to Canada for reasons of health. From 1940 to 1946 he served as chaplain in the Canadian Army overseas. From 1950 to 1960 Fr. MacDonald served as chaplain to various groups in the Toronto area. He spent most of his retirement years in Providence Villa and De La Salle Manor. In June of 1977 he returned to the central house in Scarborough where he resided until his death.

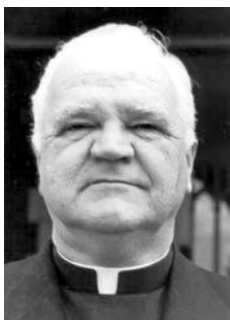


Rev. Eugene Gerald Doyle, SFM

October 7, 1903 – June 21, 1978

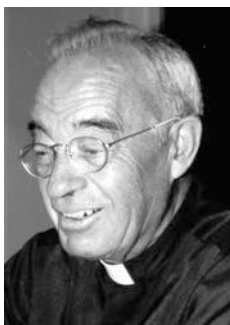
Born: Toronto, Ontario
 Ordained: September 6, 1931
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In 1934 Fr. Doyle sailed from Vancouver to his first mission posting as pastor in Chuchow, China. In 1937 he opened a new church in Dolu and soon after was appointed to Lishui and then Shanghai as procurator for the Scarboro missionaries in China. In 1941 he was interned by the Japanese and was able to return to Canada in 1943 as a result of a prisoner exchange. Once back in Canada Fr. Doyle spent a year at the Chinese Mission in Victoria, British Columbia, and then a year doing parish work in Orillia, Ontario. He served in the Dominican Republic from 1946 to 1953, and returned to Canada to serve from 1954 to 1958 as chaplain to Loretto Abbey Catholic high school in Toronto. He then was assigned to St. Vincent for six years and from there was sent to the Bahamas. In September 1966 he returned to Canada on sick leave and officially retired in 1969.

**Rev. Gerard Michael McKernan, SFM****September 14, 1910 – July 27, 1978**

Born: Dalmuir, Scotland
Ordained: September 19, 1936
Buried: Nassau, Bahamas

Arriving in Lishui, China, in 1938, Fr. Gerard "Scotty" McKernan's first task was to study the language. His pastoral work later centered in Tsingtien and in Paiyen. In 1942 he was forced to flee the advancing Japanese army. Returning to China in 1946, Fr. McKernan worked in Shanghai for the Canadian Red Cross and the Catholic Welfare Committee of China. Before the Communists expelled all foreigners from China, Fr. McKernan was placed in an internment camp. For the rest of his life he suffered from leg problems due to the maltreatment received during his internment. In 1956, Fr. McKernan was appointed to Guyana and then to the Bahamas mission in 1959 where he served as Regional Superior from 1962 until 1975.

**Rev. Lawrence Joseph Beal, SFM****December 27, 1900 – May 8, 1978**

Born: La Salette, Ontario
Ordained: June 2, 1928
Buried: La Salette, Ontario

Fr. Larry was a member of the third departure group for China in October 1928. In 1941 he was recalled home as a delegate of the China missionaries to the Society's first General Chapter in 1941 where he was appointed regional superior of the China mission. With the Sino-Japanese War still raging when he returned to China, Fr. Beal was interned by the Japanese in Shanghai and then Peking (Beijing). He returned to Canada with seven other Scarboro priests on the repatriation ship the S.S. Gripsholm in December 1943. All showed signs of the strain of the past years of war in the Orient. Back in Canada, Fr. Beal was appointed to the seminary staff and later as superior of St. Anne's Chinese Catholic Mission in Toronto. With China now closed to foreign missionaries, the veteran China missionary was sent to the Dominican Republic where he served for five years and then to the Bahamas for 20 years, returning to Canada in 1977 because of ill health.

**Rev. Charles Harold Cummins, SFM****April 26, 1917 – January 4, 1979**

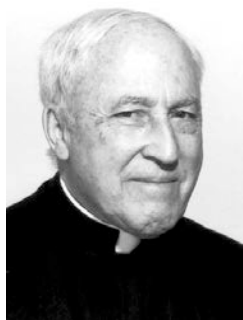
Born: Kingston, Ontario
Ordained: June 29, 1947
Buried: Nassau, Bahamas

Fr. Charles "Chuck" Cummins died in Nassau, Bahamas, after a brief illness. A veteran of 22 years in the Bahamas, Fr. Cummins was pastor of Harbour Island at the time of his death. His many years of service in the Bahamas were divided between Cat Island, Harbour Island, and the island of Eleuthera. Prior to the Bahamas, he had served two years as pastor of the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver, British Columbia. He sailed for Japan in 1949 and after language study he worked in Shimabara and Aino-Machi missions. The funeral service for Fr. Cummins was held at the St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Nassau and he was buried at St. Augustine's Monastery in Nassau.

**Rev. John Daniel Curtin, SFM****November 2, 1929 – August 29, 1979**

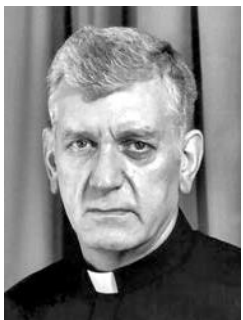
Born: Lindsay, Ontario
Ordained: August 12, 1962
Buried: Lindsay, Ontario

Fr. Dan Curtin passed away at the headquarters of the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society. Due to poor health over the years, Fr. Dan led a rather quiet life, participating as much as his illness would allow. In 1963 he was appointed to the Philippines, but ill health prevented him from leaving with the other missionaries. Two years later he was appointed to the St. Vincent mission, but returned to Canada after a year also because of his health. Between 1966 and 1978, he filled brief appointments in St. Meinrad's and Annunciation parishes in Hull, Quebec, at Mount Carmel Parish in Ottawa, and in Scarboro's own promotion department.

**Rev. Joseph Peter King, SFM****June 29, 1905 – October 29, 1979**

Born: Otter Creek, Ontario
Ordained: November 2, 1930
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

As a newly ordained priest, Fr. Joseph King left for China and worked in Lishui Prefecture until January 1941 when he returned to Canada for a one-year furlough. World War II interrupted his return and in 1943 he was appointed to the Dominican Republic where he worked as pastor in a number of parishes — Bayaguana, Azuz, Padre Las Casas, San Antonio de Guerra and Consuelo. During his 36 years of service to the people of the Dominican Republic he was away from his post for only 18 months, most of that time doing pastoral substitutions in the Archdiocese of Detroit. In 1977 he left Bahamas due to illness and the following year took up residence in the Providence Villa healthcare facility in Scarborough where he remained until his death.

**Rev. Gerald Francis Kelly, SFM****December 13, 1923 – December 13, 1981**

Born: Thunder Bay, Ontario
Ordained: June 27, 1949
Buried: Takanawa Church, Tokyo, Japan

Following his ordination Fr. Gerry Kelly was appointed to Japan where he served for 32 years as curate in Nagasaki, Shimabara, Fukuoka, and as pastor for many years in Tokyo. He was also bursar for six years and served three terms as regional superior of the mission. At the time of his death, he had been working in the sprawling working class district of Tokyo, dwelling amongst the poor and living the gospel. Fr. Gerry's hospitality, generosity and genuine love for others are legendary. After surviving an initial heart attack on November 27, the end came a few days later. He was sitting up in bed, as the story goes, entertaining one of the nurses when he suffered a massive coronary and died instantly. It could not have been any other way, as Fr. Gerald was a man possessed of extraordinary warmth and wit, and he died the way he would have wanted – sharing these gifts and making people laugh.

**Rev. John Michael Fullerton, SFM****April 6, 1918 – July 28, 1982**

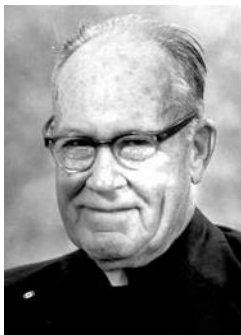
Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 20, 1941
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Following his ordination to the priesthood, Fr. Fullerton worked at Holy Cross parish in Norwood, Manitoba, until his appointment to the Dominican Republic in 1943. For the next 16 years he was engaged in pastoral work in that country. During the Society's third General Chapter in 1959, Fr. Fullerton was elected Vicar-General, a post he held until 1968. The following year, he was re-appointed to the Dominican Republic where he worked until 1974. Back in Canada, Fr. Fullerton was actively engaged in pastoral work among Toronto's rapidly growing Latin American community from 1975 to 1980. Though poor health restricted his activities during the last two years of his life, he nonetheless continued his priestly work in several Toronto area parishes with undiminished zeal.

**Rev. Edward Thomas Moriarty, SFM****April 23, 1914 – July 11, 1983**

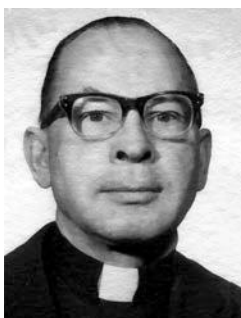
Born: Harbour Grace, Newfoundland
Ordained: August 24, 1936
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Between 1936 and 1938 Fr. Ed Moriarty undertook secretarial work and was circulation manager for *China* magazine. In 1938 he was assigned to Lishui, China, and recalled to Canada after two years to serve as pastor of the Chinese Catholic Mission in Toronto. Three years later, in 1943, he was made pastor of the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver. In 1946 he returned to Lishui, China, where he remained until 1952 when the Chinese government expelled all foreign missionaries from the country. On October 27, 1953, he was assigned to the new mission in British Guiana (Guyana) as its first regional superior. In 1958 he left Guyana to assume duties on the island of St. Vincent. In the fall of 1962 Fr. Ed returned to Canada and was appointed chaplain at Scarborough General Hospital where he worked until 1965. During the last number of years Fr. Ed also assisted with pastoral work in many parishes both in Ontario and in his native Newfoundland. His many friends remember him as a man of deep faith and cheerful disposition.

**Bishop Kenneth Roderick Turner, SFM****October 14, 1905 – October 30, 1983**

Born: Montreal, Quebec
Ordained: September 6, 1936
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Bishop Turner assisted at the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver from 1937 until his departure for Lishui, China, in November of 1939. On September 29, 1948, he was consecrated Bishop of Lishui. After the communist takeover in 1949 he was restricted in his movements. He was given permission to leave the country and arrived in Hong Kong on November 26, 1953. Unable to return to China, Bishop Turner was in charge of St. Thomas More Parish in Nassau, Bahamas, from 1955 to 1959, when he was appointed regional superior of the Scarboro community in Guyana. In 1964 he was assigned to St. Lucia, where he served for two years as pastor of Our Lady of Fatima parish in Castries. He returned to the Bahamas in 1966 and for the next 12 years he assisted in various outlying parishes. In 1980, at the age of 75, he assumed a new position as chaplain at Pembroke General Hospital, Pembroke, Ontario, where he served until his death.

**Rev. William Henry McNabb, SFM****October 21, 1907 – February 25, 1984**

Born: St. Thomas, Ontario
Ordained: December 19, 1931
Buried: Bani, Dominican Republic

On the afternoon of February 25, at the Scarboro central house in the Dominican Republic, Fr. Bill McNabb passed away after a lengthy illness. The funeral was held the following day and the burial took place in Fr. Bill's parish in Fundacion de Sabana Buey. Then regional superior Fr. Lionel Walsh spoke of the tremendous outpouring of affection for Fr. McNabb in the places where he had worked. He started his missionary work in China in October 1932 until his appointment to the Dominican Republic in 1946, where he served until his death 38 years later. Fr. Bill was a missionary priest for 52 years and during this time he rarely enjoyed good health. Yet, his dedication and his very real love for the poor were an inspiration to all who knew him.



Rev. John Craig Strang, SFM

August 23, 1909 – May 30, 1984

Born: St. John's, Newfoundland
 Ordained: September 21, 1933
 Buried: St. John's, Newfoundland

Fr. Strang went to China in 1934, and after language study in Lishui, he held posts in Tsingtien and Pihu. During 1946 and 1947 he was supervisor of Canadian China Relief. After being held under house arrest by the communists in Lishui from 1950 until 1952, he was allowed to return to Canada. In 1954 Fr. Craig was missioned to the Bahamas and for the next 15 years he spent most of his time as pastor on the island of Eleuthera. When he returned to Canada in 1969, he did parochial work in his home province of Newfoundland. His health continued to give him problems until his death, but not before he celebrated his golden anniversary of priesthood on September 21, 1983.



Rev. Hugh Francis Xavier Sharkey, SFM

October 25, 1904 – February 12, 1985

Born: St. John, New Brunswick
 Ordained: May 25, 1929
 Buried: Saint John, New Brunswick

Fr. Hugh Sharkey, one of the original "China boys," passed away in his 82nd year in his native Saint John. Fr. Sharkey is remembered as a great wit with an ever-ready smile. He generously gave of himself and his talents to the work of Scarboro Missions. During the 55 years of his priesthood, Fr. Sharkey served in Chuchow, China, and was recalled to Canada in 1932 to establish the Chinese Catholic Mission in Vancouver. He was recalled again in 1941 to attend the Society's first General Chapter and was appointed to the General Council. Throughout his priesthood, he also served the Chinese Catholic mission in Victoria, British Columbia; as editor of *China* magazine; as rector of St. Francis Xavier Seminary; and in the Dominican Republic and Guyana missions. In 1974, he officially retired from active mission work but continued to do retreat work in both the United States and Canada. Fr. Sharkey was well known as a poet and many of his poems have been published. Part of his poem, *Death Be Not Proud*, written in 1975 states: "*The tomb shall be a womb on that great Easter, No longer sterile, hopeless and forlorn, Death be not proud when you shall come to slay me, 'Tis you shall die, but I will be reborn.*"

**Rev. Alexander MacIntosh, SFM****June 3, 1912 – April 7, 1985**

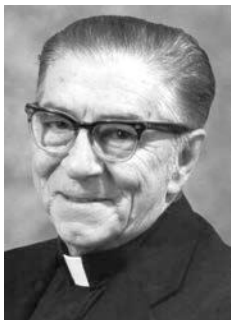
Born: St. Andrew's, Nova Scotia
Ordained: August 9, 1936
Buried: St. Andrew's, Nova Scotia

After ordination in 1936, Fr. MacIntosh was part of a mission band of eight priests appointed to China, but because of the war in China, they were assigned to parishes in Canada. In 1938 he left for China and began work in Lungchuan, part of Scarboro's mission territory. He temporarily fled the district in 1942, joining other missionaries in a ghastly 2,400-kilometre trek across China ahead of the advancing Japanese army. They returned to find the missions in ruins and the people traumatized. For a time the lone priest in Lishui, Fr. Alex survived 22 bombings. He returned to Canada and in 1945 was appointed bursar of the Chinese mission in Vancouver before leaving for China once again in 1947 and serving as bursar in Lishui. By 1953, with foreign missionaries having been expelled from China, he left for Guyana with the Society's first mission band to that country. Fr. Alex has also served as Treasurer General of the Society and in 1959 was elected to the General Council. The last number of years before his death, Fr. Alex was involved in pastoral work in many parishes in the Diocese of St. Catharine's, Ontario.

**Rev. Francis Michael Diemert, SFM****August 15, 1915 – April 27, 1985**

Born: Mildmay, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1938
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

After some pastoral work in Brantford, Ontario, Fr. Frank left for China in 1940 and began language studies in Peking. He was interned by the Japanese in 1941 and was repatriated to Canada in late 1943. The following year he was assigned to the Dominican Republic to help build the church in this new mission territory. In 1950 he was back in Canada as rector of the seminary. He was also twice elected to serve on the General Council, including one term as superior general. It would be difficult for any member of Scarboro to find a more exemplary missionary. Fr. Frank displayed an openness to change and adaptability that were second to none. His cheerful manner and sincere concern for people won him genuine and deserved affection.

**Rev. Bernard Michael Dwyer, SFM****December 25, 1908 – June 6, 1986**

Born: Halifax, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 17, 1938
Buried: Halifax, Nova Scotia

Fr. Dwyer lived a missionary career for over 48 years. His first work was promotion work for the Society in the Maritimes, then as a chaplain in the Royal Canadian Navy during the Second World War. After the war, he was appointed for a few months to the Dominican Republic before heading to Japan where he worked as a parish priest for six years and as regional superior. He returned to the Dominican Republic for 11 years, but due to poor health he returned to Canada in 1966 and ended his overseas mission service. He was loaned to the Archdiocese of Halifax, serving in various parishes until 1979 when he retired from active parish ministry. Fr. John Gault, who worked with him in the Dominican Republic, said he was a "man with a gentle, easygoing manner and a good listener."

**Rev. William Patrick Schultz, SFM****March 16, 1927 – July 20, 1986**

Born: Galt, Ontario
Ordained: December 20, 1952
Buried: El Progreso, Lima, Peru

Fr. William Patrick Schultz died suddenly while in mission in El Progreso, a small town on the outskirts of Lima, Peru. After ordination, he was appointed to Japan where he worked in various capacities as a pastor and English language teacher until 1983. While in Japan he published a book of his own fables, which served as a guide for Japanese students to learn English grammar and idioms. His 34-year missionary career led him in 1980 to Peru where he was instrumental in laying the groundwork for Japan's first-ever lay missionary program whereby Catholics from that country could work as missionaries overseas. When he died, a large number of parishioners and friends attended the Mass of Resurrection and continued with the body in procession to its final resting place in the local cemetery amongst the poorest of the poor — the very people Fr. Bill served throughout his missionary career.



Rev. Paul John Flaherty, SFM

December 14, 1924 – September 29, 1986

Born: Niagara Falls, New York
 Ordained: October 2, 1949
 Buried: Niagara Falls, Ontario

Fr. Paul Flaherty died peacefully after a lengthy illness. In 1949, Fr. Paul was assigned to Japan where he laboured faithfully for 28 years in Shimabara, Aino, Kawatana, Ichinomiya, Nagoya, Osaka, Kaize and Tokyo. During those years, Fr. Flaherty had periods of ill health, which prompted his return to Canada in 1977. In 1979 he was appointed chaplain to the Christian Brothers at LaSalle Manor in Scarborough and continued there until 1984. In the summer of 1984 Paul once again became ill and was sick until the time of his death. Fr. Rogers Pelow gave the homily and said, "Fr. Paul could have chosen an easy life because of his material wealth. He chose, however, to join Scarboro and preach the Gospel in a foreign land."



Rev. John Joseph McIver, SFM

July 2, 1914 – October 16, 1986

Born: Staffa, Ontario
 Ordained: December 21, 1940
 Buried: Kwa-Zulu Natal, South Africa

Fr. Jack worked in Hamilton, Ontario, before going to Nazareth House in 1943. He was assigned to the Dominican Republic in 1945. In 1956 Fr. McIver was appointed rector of Scarboro House in Antigonish, Nova Scotia. In 1959, Fr. Jack was elected a member of the General Council. On top of this responsibility, in 1961 he was appointed to the staff of St. Francis Xavier Seminary as bursar and professor of Sociology and Missiology. He taught sociology at St. Augustine's Seminary for three years and was appointed director of the Latin American Institute in St. Mary's, Ontario. During his priesthood he was deeply involved in establishing credit unions and Cooperatives in the Dominican Republic, Guyana and the Philippines, and for the last seven years of his life in Eshowe diocese, Zululand, South Africa.

**Rev. John Stephen George, SFM****December 17, 1927 – May 26, 1988**

Born: Kitchener, Ontario
Ordained: December 22, 1951
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. George was assigned to the Dominican Republic in 1952 where he served in various parishes until 1961 when he returned to Canada to do promotion work. He began post-graduate studies in canon law at the University of America in Washington, D.C., and continued these studies at the University of Ottawa, culminating in a doctoral degree in canon law. Always a compassionate listener and generous host, Fr. George continued his mission work in Canada performing various administrative duties for the Society as well as helping out in parishes throughout the Toronto Archdiocese. Fr. George was well known by the community of St. Maria Goretti parish in Scarborough, Ontario, where he served as assistant pastor from 1980 until his death.

**Rev. Allan Bernard McRae, SFM****July 29, 1911 – August 1, 1988**

Born: St. Raphael's, Ontario
Ordained: June 28, 1936
Buried: St. Raphael's, Ontario

Fr. Allan travelled to China in October 1938 where he served in Chekiang province until 1941. In March 1941 he fled the Kinhwa district to the safety of Lishui ahead of the Japanese troops. From there he fled to Lungchuan where he and many other missionaries were forced to flee China in 1944. Fr. McRae applied to be a chaplain in the Canadian Army and was accepted in December. He remained there until his return to the Orient in 1948. With the communist takeover of China in 1949 he went to work in Scarboro's newly established mission in Japan. In 1950 Fr. McRae was back in Canada assigned to the promotion department and in 1953 he returned to work as a chaplain in the Canadian Armed Forces. Following his retirement from the army in 1966 he was assigned to the Bahamas for three years and from 1969 to 1980 he was active in full time parish work in Angus, Ontario.

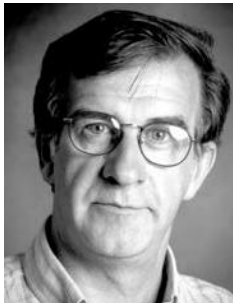


Rev. Armand Louis Clement, SFM

May 5, 1913 – March 13, 1989

Born: Montreal, Quebec
 Ordained: December 17, 1938
 Buried: Cebu City, Philippines

Fr. Armand "Armie" Clement was missioned to China in the fall of 1940. While attending language school in Beijing, he was taken prisoner by the Japanese and interned until 1943. After repatriation, he served as an Royal Canadian Air Force chaplain until the end of World War II, at which time he returned to China until the fall of 1951. It was in 1957 that Fr. Clement sailed for the Philippines, serving as a pastor in southern Leyte until 1963. A tireless worker, he then spent the next 25 years on the island of Cebu, first as a pastor of a parish, then as coordinator of Scarborough's Philippine central house, and is remembered for truly living the spirit of hospitality. In 1988 he returned to Canada for his 50th ordination anniversary but returned to Cebu until his death a year later.

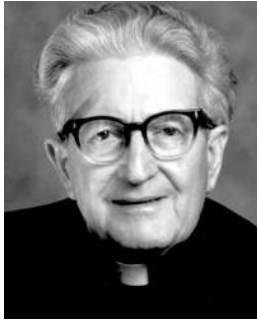


Rev. Cyril William Smith, SFM

November 24, 1938 – May 1, 1989

Born: Scoudouc, New Brunswick
 Ordained: August 8, 1962
 Buried: Scoudouc, New Brunswick

After ordination, Fr. Bill Smith was assigned to Brazil where he remained until 1971 when he was named director of the Latin American Mission Office of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in Ottawa. In 1975 Fr. Bill began his work with the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace, in charge of projects in the Caribbean and in Latin and Central America. In the latter part of the 1980s his work focused mainly on Central America and Haiti. He traveled widely in the area promoting community development and solidarity in tense political and military situations. Early in 1989 Bill accepted new work as a liaison person for the Quebec-based trade union confederation and the labour movement in Brazil and Chile. On arrival for this new post, Fr. Bill Smith died suddenly of a heart attack in Sao Paulo, Brazil.



Rev. James Patrick Leonard, SFM

May 8, 1909 – June 3, 1990

Born: Derry City, Ireland
 Ordained: November 30, 1935
 Buried: Resthaven, Scarborough, Ontario

In 1932 Fr. James "Jimmy" Leonard went to Genoa, Italy, to study theology and was ordained in Toronto in 1935, after which he was appointed to China. In 1939, he was recalled home to serve as editor of *China*, predecessor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. Fr. Leonard never returned to overseas mission. He served as pastor of the Vancouver Chinese Catholic Mission, as director of the Holy Childhood for the English-speaking dioceses of Canada, and as assistant at the Pontifical Mission-Aid Societies of Canada. In 1984, one year before his 50th anniversary as a priest, he was awarded the *Benemerenti* medal from Pope John Paul II for his service to the church. Fr. Leonard was known among friends and fellow Scarboro missionaries for his deep devotion to Mary.

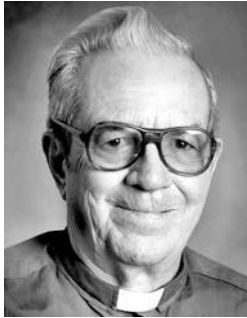


Rev. Rogers Joseph Pelow, SFM

November 9, 1917 – January 22, 1990

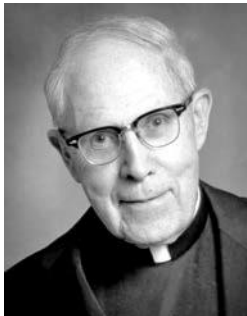
Born: Kingston, Ontario
 Ordained: May 18, 1940
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Immediately after ordination, Fr. Rogers Pelow went on to study canon law and was appointed rector of the seminary in 1944. In 1950 he left for Japan on his first missionary assignment. For most of the next 27 years he lived and worked in Japan. From 1977 until the time of his first heart attack in 1989 he worked at the Catholic Marriage Tribunal in Toronto as Associate Judicial Vicar. In 1987 he was appointed to the Canadian Appeal Tribunal in Ottawa. While in Osaka, Japan, Fr. Pelow had the privilege of living with Scarboro's founder, Monsignor John Mary Fraser, until Fraser's death, and was a source of many interesting stories about Monsignor Fraser. Fr. Pelow's deep faith, his sense of humour and his willingness to listen were gifts that he shared freely with others.

**Rev. Francis K. Patrick Moylan, SFM****October 24, 1915 – November 23, 1991**

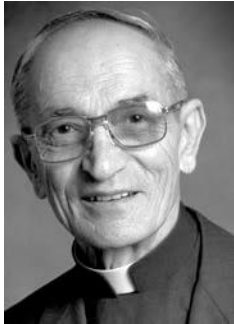
Born: Seaforth, Ontario
Ordained: June 17, 1945
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In 1945, Fr. Pat Moylan was appointed to the Dominican Republic, a new mission area for Scarboro. He returned to Canada in 1949 when he was asked to do post graduate studies in philosophy at St. Paul's University in Ottawa, after which he was appointed to Scarboro's St. Francis Xavier Seminary staff. In 1950 he was missioned to the Philippines for 11 years, and then to the Dominican Republic. During his years serving the church in the Dominican Republic, Fr. Moylan persevered faithfully as assistant and pastor in Yamasa, Azua, Bani, Hato Mayor, Haina and Consuelo. After 46 years as a Scarboro missionary, Fr. Moylan returned to Canada in June 1991 due to ill health and died of a heart attack a few months later.

**Rev. James Joseph Walsh, SFM****August 30, 1912 – March 23, 1992**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1938
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

During the first few years of his priesthood, Fr. Jim served in several Ontario parishes. In 1944 he took up his first mission posting as assistant pastor in the parish of Monte Plata in the Dominican Republic. During his many years of service among the people of the Dominican Republic, he worked in parishes in Bayaguan, San Jose de Ocoa, Yamasa, Azua and Bani. His final posting was in the parish of Sabana Grande de Boya from where he returned to Canada in 1980 because of ill health. After his recovery from heart surgery in 1984, Fr. Jim helped out at St. Mary's Parish in Brampton, Ontario. He celebrated his 50th anniversary of priesthood in 1988 and in 1990, due to failing health, he moved to Providence Villa in Scarborough, Ontario, where he resided until his death. In the Dominican Republic he was known as Padre Santiago and despite the years since his death, people in many parishes where Fr. Jim worked still speak fondly of him.



Rev. John Joseph Maurice, SFM

October 24, 1908 – July 7, 1992

Born: Romanian part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire
 Ordained: November 30, 1935
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Maurice was one of Scarboro's veteran China missionaries. Born in 1908 in the Romanian part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, he immigrated to Canada as a child. Fr. Maurice served for eight years in China. Due to the invasion of the Japanese, Fr. Maurice and other Scarboro priests, together with the Grey Sisters, evacuated westward and returned to Canada via India. In 1956, after five years in the Dominican Republic, Fr. Maurice again returned to Canada and resided at the Scarboro Missions central house where he worked in the care and service of the community. In 1978 Toronto Archbishop Philip Pocock presented Fr. Maurice with the Benemerenti Medal in recognition of his service to the church.



Rev. Thomas Michael Morrissey, SFM

February 25, 1914 – July 25, 1992

Born: North River, Newfoundland
 Ordained: December 3, 1937
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Soon after ordination, Fr. Tom Morrissey was assigned to Kinhwa, China, a city in the Scarboro mission territory of Lishui. By 1942 the Sino-Japanese War had reached Lishui and not long after his first appointment as curate at the Tangchi mission post, Fr. Tom, along with a few other priests and Grey Sisters, was forced to join the exodus of people leaving the area. Reaching Yuanling after an arduous journey of 2,500 kilometre, he immediately continued his missionary work in Yuanling diocese. Fr. Tom remained in China until 1951. Leaving China, he went directly to Tokyo to begin studying Japanese. For the remainder of his missionary career he stayed connected to Japan. A keen observer of Japanese culture, he authored the book, *From North River to the Land of the Cherry Blossoms*. He was in the process of writing another book at the time of his death.



Rev. Leonard Anthony Hudswell, SFM

December 30, 1911 – January 2, 1993

Born: Toronto, Ontario
 Ordained: November 30, 1935
 Buried: Nassau, Bahamas

In 1936 the newly ordained Fr. Hudswell set out for China. Living and working in the Lishui and Kinhwa district became increasingly difficult and dangerous as the Japanese invasion of China moved southward. Thirty Scarboro priests and Grey sisters began a 2,500 kilometres journey to safety keeping just ahead of the Japanese. Len traveled by bicycle, but the difficult journey soon left him exhausted, suffering from recurring bouts of malaria and intestinal illnesses. After six months and 1,600 kilometres of travel he arrived in Yuanling and worked as chaplain in the Catholic hospital. Returning to Canada in 1944 he served briefly in the Peterborough and Toronto dioceses before going again to China in 1946. Fr. Len also served in the Dominican Republic and the Bahamas where he was assigned in 1965 and continued to serve until his death 28 years later.



Mr. William Gerald Heffernan

December 5, 1940 – May 31, 1993

Born: Douro, Peterborough
 Commitment: May 30, 1965
 Buried: Douro, Ontario

Gerry first entered the Society in 1965, the year he took his first mission oath. In his last year of studies for the priesthood, he asked permission to be sent overseas as a lay person. He became the first lay missionary with Scarboro Missions. Throughout his 29 years with the Society, Gerry served in Guyana and in the offices of the Society's central house in Scarborough, Ontario, but primarily in the Dominican Republic and Peru missions. A committed, hardworking missionary, Gerry was publicly recognized in 1990 by the people of La Victoria in Chiclayo, Peru, for his continuing efforts to help them obtain proper housing. Gerry had a significant role in advising and directing the building of almost 200 houses in this densely populated area with every member of the community taking part in construction efforts. He died in Peru in 1993 as a result of a drowning accident.

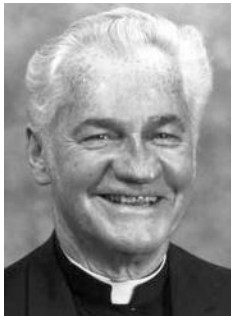


Rev. Wallace Robert Chisholm, SFM

August 22, 1929 – June 9, 1993

Born: Vancouver, British Columbia
 Ordained: December 8, 1954
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Wallace "Wally" Chisholm's first assignment was to the Guyana mission in September 1955. In 1961, he returned to Canada and was appointed to teach at the seminary. During the late 1960s he assisted at parishes east of Toronto. He continued to serve at our central house in Canada for the remainder of his missionary life, working as director in the department of communications. A gifted and prolific writer, and amateur historian, Fr. Chisholm was appointed in 1962 to write the history of the Society and was called upon several times over the years for a variety of writing assignments. Listening to others and affirming others were two of Wally's special gifts. He did not allow his prolonged ill health to dampen his interest in life, especially in the life of his Society, which he loved.



Rev. Charles Basil Murphy, SFM

August 18, 1912 – August 30, 1993

Born: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 9, 1936
 Buried: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia

After his ordination, due to the unsettled conditions in China, Fr. Murphy served as a curate at the Immaculate Conception Parish in Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia, for two years. He departed for China in the fall of 1938 and was stationed at Scarboro's mission in Lishui. In December 1941 he was taken prisoner of war and repatriated from Hong Kong to Goa, India, on a Japanese ship. He later published the book, *Hong Kong Hero*, based on his experiences and work during his imprisonment during the war. He returned to China in 1947 but was forced to leave with the Communist takeover of the country. He arrived back in Canada in late 1949 and in 1952 joined the Canadian Navy as chaplain, serving for the next 15 years until his retirement in 1967. Since his retirement he resided in Sydney, Nova Scotia.

**Rev. Francis Joseph Thornley, SFM****February 9, 1925 – September 27, 1993**

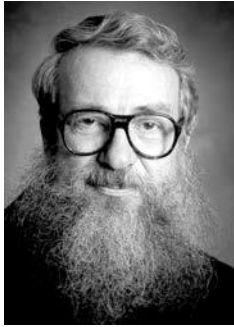
Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1950
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Thornley was first assigned to do promotion work for the Society in the provinces of Alberta and Ontario, and throughout the Maritimes. In 1954 he was sent overseas to mission in Guyana (then known as British Guiana) and was later appointed regional superior of the mission, a post he held for 13 years. Fr. Thornley returned to Canada in 1983 for health reasons and was appointed acting house coordinator of the central house in Scarborough. At his funeral Mass, Fr. Jack McGoeys gave the homily and spoke of Frank's kindness and generous hospitality. He was a gracious host and compassionate and caring pastor.

**Rev. Joseph Anthony Ernewein, SFM****July 2, 1920 – December 31, 1993**

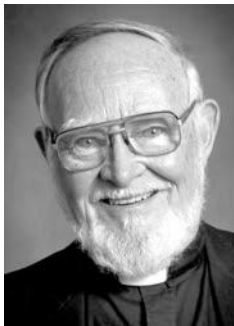
Born: Chepstow, Ontario
Ordained: June 13, 1947
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario,

Fr. Ernewein served all of his overseas missionary life in the Dominican Republic, interrupted for four years when he was assigned as regional superior in the early days of the Guyana mission. His long experience in handling the financial affairs of these two Scarboro missions overseas prepared him for his assignment in 1977 as treasurer general of the Society, a position he held for five years before returning again to the Dominican Republic. In 1988 he returned to Canada due to ill health and underwent dialysis treatment until his death. At his wake service, Fr. Joe's fellow missionaries shared their remembrances of him, his generosity as bursar, his hospitality as superior of the central house in Haina, Dominican Republic, his acute understanding of the Dominican way and his keen sense of humour.

**Rev. Roderick Joseph MacNeil, SFM****January 16, 1929 – January 11, 1994**

Born: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 19, 1953
Buried: St. Jovite, Quebec

Fr. Rod MacNeil's first mission posting was to the Philippines where he served for six years. With the exception of one year on Manitoulin Island in Canada, he served the remainder of his overseas missionary life in the Dominican Republic. He returned to Canada in 1990 and studied canon law at St. Paul's University in Ottawa until 1993. Fr. Rod was a man of many and diverse interests. He loved to write, and his poetry and prose reached many parts of the world. He became an expert at ham radio operations, which was used as a teaching tool in the missions and served as a means of communication for several missionaries. He also had a pilot's license for small planes and enjoyed flying over his hometown of Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, on his visits. Fr. Roderick was a man of action and a man of prayer. He had a deep faith and belief in God, and a desire to do God's will.

**Rev. George Roland Roberts, SFM****September 18, 1905 – February 11, 1994**

Born: Victoria, British Columbia
Ordained: September 23, 1933
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

With his ordination in 1933, Fr. Roland "Rollie" Roberts was the first person from western Canada to become a member of the Scarboro Foreign Mission Society. Unable to go to China because of illness, he served three years at Vancouver's Chinese Catholic Mission. In 1935 he was appointed national director of the Pontifical Association of the Holy Childhood for English-speaking Canada until 1951 when he became responsible for the promotion department of Scarboro Missions in Scarborough, Ontario. At age 56, Rollie was appointed to overseas mission service. He arrived on the island of St. Vincent, West Indies, in 1962 and became pastor of St. Benedict parish in Georgetown. With his experience of working in Canada in the area of child health, it was only natural that he would establish a daycare centre and later an infant hospital in the Georgetown parish where he served for 31 years. The monument Fr. Rollie left behind was a spirit of loving service and compassion for the little ones of St. Vincent.

**Rev. John Emerson Gault, SFM****July 22, 1917 – November 20, 1995**

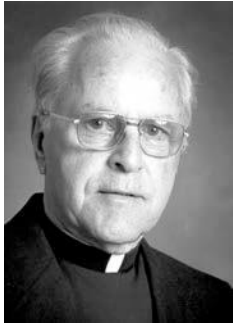
Born: Cornwall, Ontario
Ordained: December 21, 1940
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

For the first two years after ordination, Fr. John Gault studied canon law and received his degree from the University of Ottawa. During his almost 55 years as a member of Scarboro Missions, Fr. Gault served his Society in many ways. Most of his overseas missionary service was in the Dominican Republic. Fr. Gault's years in the Dominican Republic were interrupted in 1960 when he was forced to flee the country because he refused to support the military regime who were oppressing the people. He also served for a short time in Guyana, St. Vincent, and in the Bahamas. In Canada, he served as a member of the seminary staff and editor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. From 1969 to 1972 he studied pastoral counseling at St. Paul's University in Ottawa. Fr. Gault was a man of ideals who in faith saw the church as being on the side of the poor. He was a quiet and caring person who was willing to share the burdens of others.

**Rev. Daniel Lawrence MacNeil, SFM****September 22, 1911 – November 24, 1995**

Born: Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 3, 1937
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

"By whatever measuring stick we may choose: his trust in God's providence; his friendship with Christ and with Mary, the Mother of Christ; his presence amongst the poorest and the needy; his piety, simplicity, prayerfulness and asceticism; his life among those who were his sisters and brothers, Fr. Dan MacNeil was regarded as a saint by the Christian people who knew him." With these words, Fr. Robert "Buddy" Smith began his homily at the Mass of the Resurrection for Fr. Daniel MacNeil. Appointed to mission in China, Fr. Dan arrived in Lishui, south of Shanghai, in October of 1938. Returning to Canada, he served as chaplain in the Canadian military from 1943 to 1945, and served various parishes in Nova Scotia and Ontario from 1946 to 1948. In 1948 Fr. Dan began his over 40 years of missionary service to the people of the Dominican Republic. "In what he said and did, Dan was a person who took his faith very seriously and we too should give importance to God in each moment of our lives," said Fr. Smith.

**Rev. John Heck McGoe, SFM****February 16, 1915 – November 25, 1995**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 3, 1937
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Jack McGoe left for Scarborough's China mission in 1939. He returned to Canada in 1944 due to ill health, only to return to China the following year to work for Catholic welfare and later as director of the medical and welfare division of the Marshall Plan for China. Returning to Canada in 1949, he served as a member of the General Council of the Society and as director of the promotion department. He resigned this work in 1953 due to illness. The following year he began to work in the Bahamas mission where he remained until 1968. For the rest of his life he lived and worked in Canada. He started his own publishing business, Fidelity House, and personally authored 18 books, most of them on the topics of sexuality, chastity, and on the vow of celibacy.

**Rev. Hugh Gerard McGettigan, SFM****October 13, 1909 – February 24, 1996**

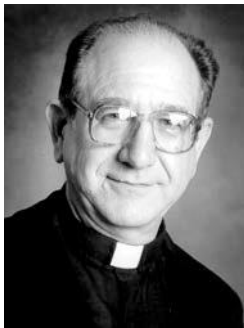
Born: St. John's, Newfoundland
Ordained: December 21, 1932
Buried: St. John's, Newfoundland

The first 20 years of Fr. McGettigan's long career as a missionary were spent in service to the Chinese people both in Lishui, China, and in the Society's Chinese mission in Toronto and in Victoria, British Columbia. He began the second phase of his career in 1953, serving as chaplain in the Royal Canadian Navy. In 1964 Fr. Hugh accepted an overseas appointment to the Society's St. Vincent mission, beginning the third phase of his life as a priest. For 13 years he lived on the island of Bequia where he served the small Catholic community and became famous for his outreach to everyone on the island. The fourth and final phase of his career began with his return home to Newfoundland in 1980 where he settled into parish work until ill health forced him to retire from active ministry. Fr. Hugh is remembered as one of the group of priests and sisters who took part in the famous long march in 1942, travelling 2,500 kilometres by foot, bicycle, or hitching rides, to the city of Kunming, western China, ahead of the advancing Japanese army. From western China Fr. Hugh and some of the group escaped to India with the help of the American Air Force.

**Rev. Edgar Henry Geier, SFM****November 5, 1924 – August 24, 1996**

Born: Kitchener, Ontario
Ordained: June 25, 1950
Buried: Cambridge, Ontario

Fr. Ed Geier once said, "I go to Japan to present Christ. I think that life without Christ has no meaning. I like the Japanese people and I want them to know Christ." Ed began his life with the Japanese in 1950. Raised on a farm in southern Ontario, he possessed an ethic of hard work which, combined with a natural talent, led to his proficiency in Japanese soon after he arrived. This prompted the Japanese themselves to marvel at his ability to speak their language. For 23 years Ed conducted a marriage encounter course for non-Christian couples getting married in the church. These marriages were done at the request of the Japanese bishops for the work of evangelization. Ever the missionary, Fr. Ed put together a book, *At Ease Overseas*, which he hoped would enable his Japanese students not only to learn English, but also to better understand the traditions and customs of the Catholic church and Christian faith.

**Rev. Clair Albert Yaeck, SFM****February 12, 1928 – November 1, 1996**

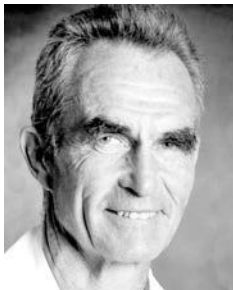
Born: Walkerton, Ontario
Ordained: December 22, 1951
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Clair's missionary career began in Japan in 1954. Over the next 40 years he served not only as a pastor, but also as assistant secretary general to the Japan's bishop's conference and as editor of *Tosei News*, an English language newsletter for missionaries to Japan. For over 20 years Fr. Clair also gave himself in service to the Society's work and welfare here in Canada. He was on the seminary staff and rector of the seminary and in 1974 was elected vicar general of the Society. Always the missionary, Fr. Clair took seriously the Gospel imperative to reach out and dialogue with other Christians and with those of other faiths. Clair was our first member of the interfaith organization, WCRP (World Conference on Religion and Peace). Fr. Clair lost his battle with cancer at 68 years of age. In reminiscing about him, a friend said, "Clair was a man of courage in the face of his constant sickness. He was also a quiet but constant witness of his belief in Christ."

**Rev. John Brendan Schultz, SFM****July 24, 1937 – November 23, 1996**

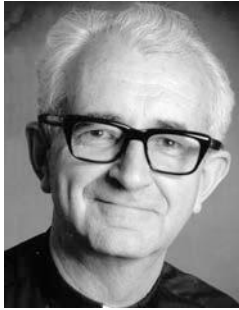
Born: Galt (now a part of Cambridge), Ontario
Ordained: August 12, 1962
Buried: Fukuoka, Japan

Fr. Ben Schultz went to Japan in 1963 and after language study he was assigned to a parish in the city of Nagoya. He remained in the diocese of Nagoya until 1978 when he moved south to Fukuoka City where he spent the latter part of his missionary journey serving the church of Mary, Mother of God. Fr. Ben succeeded his brother, Scarborough missionary Fr. Bill Schultz, who had served the parish since 1962. These two brothers together gave 34 years of their lives to the people of the parish and diocese of Fukuoka. Fr. Ben spent all his missionary life in Japan and expressed his love for Japan and for the Japanese as a dedicated pastor and friend. He collaborated closely with the parishioners in the building of a mission church in nearby Shime, an endeavour that took over 10 years.

**Rev. Graham Steven Clark, SFM****December 31, 1923 – December 04, 1996**

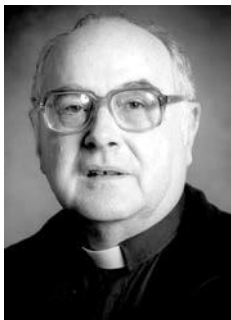
Born: White Plains, New York
Ordained: December 19, 1959
Buried: Hopetown, Guyana

In 1960, Fr. Graham was appointed to Guyana where he served all of his life, most of it in the parish of Hopetown. He opened the parish in Hopetown and was pastor there until his tragic death. In the early days, Hopetown was an isolated community. Vehicles passed by on the narrow strip of road joining the capital of Georgetown with the next largest settlement, New Amsterdam. Fr. Graham soon got to know everyone in the parish and became known as one who reached out, especially to the poor. Work and prayer characterized his life. The parishioners of Hopetown asked that he be buried in front of the parish church, just inside the front gate at the entrance to the church and the parish rectory.

**Rev. John Joseph Bolger, SFM****May 18, 1927 – February 15, 1997**

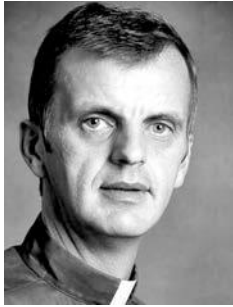
Born: Lansdowne, Ontario
Ordained: December 21, 1952
Buried: Takanawa Church, Tokyo, Japan

After ordination, Fr. John Bolger was appointed to Japan in 1953 and after language study began his service in the Archdiocese of Nagasaki in southern Japan. John was a good pastor, respected and loved by parishioners. In 1972 he returned to Canada to take up responsibilities as treasurer general of the Society. In 1978 he returned to Japan, this time serving in the Archdiocese of Tokyo. He gave himself tirelessly to his work handling the Society's financial affairs and overseeing the promotion of the Society across Canada. Fr. John never stopped studying, be it the Japanese language and culture, or the world of finance in order to know the best and most responsible way for Scarboro Missions to manage the monies received from our benefactors. Like other missionaries who served in Japan, on his return to Canada Fr. John served as chaplain to the Toronto Japanese Catholic community and they remember him as a gentle, quiet, unassuming person with a good sense of humour.

**Rev. Peter Paul Toth, SFM****May 30, 1930 – February 22, 1997**

Born: Hamilton, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1955
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Pete Toth's first five years of priesthood were spent in Japan where he served with enthusiasm, getting well established in the language and acquainting himself with a people and country he soon grew to love. With a great deal of reluctance he returned to Canada in 1961 to study anthropology to prepare himself for work as a member of the seminary faculty where he served until 1969. From 1970 to 1979 he served as parish priest in the diocese of Hull, Quebec, and from 1981 until his death he served in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Through most of that time, he shared duties with his friend Fr. Tom Day in the parishes of St. Boniface in Scarborough, and at St. Paul's parish in downtown Toronto where his special interest in justice and peace issues led him to establish a chapter of Development and Peace. His parish ministry was marked by a deep concern for the poor and marginalized, following his role models, Dorothy Day and Oscar Romero.

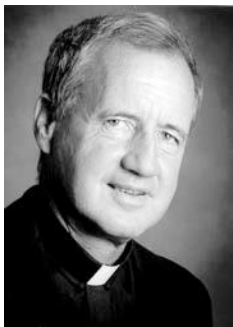


Rev. Gary Joseph McDonald, SFM

March 13, 1945 – April 14, 1997

Born: Lunenburg, Cornwall, Ontario
 Ordained: July 27, 1974
 Buried: St. Andrews, Ontario

Fr. Gary McDonald began his missionary service with the people of Sabana Grande de Boya in the Dominican Republic. He was twice elected regional coordinator of the Scarboro community there, and twice chosen to represent them at General Chapter meetings held in Canada in 1982 and 1987. Fr. Gary joined Scarboro missionary Fr. Lou Quinn in the province of San José de Ocoa in 1989. From this large parish he served the mission of Rancho Arriba, an hour's travel higher into the mountainous region of Ocoa. He often spoke of his love for the people and this area. With financial help from home and the cooperation of the parishioners, Fr. Gary coordinated the building of a small church and rectory in Rancho Arriba. For eight long years Fr. Gary struggled against the lymphatic cancer that finally caused his death.

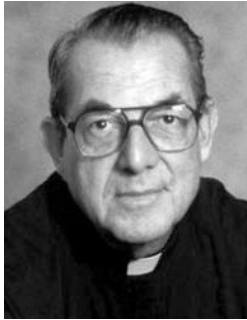


Rev. John Robert Smith, SFM

October 31, 1933 – October 8, 1997

Born: Antigonish, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: December 20, 1958
 Buried: Antigonish, Nova Scotia

John Robert "Buddy" Smith spent most of his 40 years of priesthood working day-to-day with poor, illiterate people in the Dominican Republic and in Nicaragua. He also served on the front lines of the human rights struggle in Latin America where he was affectionately called Padre Juan Roberto. During this time the Second Vatican Council introduced vast changes to the church, which greatly impacted the missionaries and their work. When the Latin American bishops spoke of poverty as "institutionalized violence" it resonated with Padre Juan Roberto's experience. While serving on the Society's General Council in the 1970s, Fr. Buddy joined a small circle of Catholics who launched the alternative religious newspaper *Catholic New Times* in 1976. At that time he was also active in a number of ecumenical coalitions in Toronto, working on social justice issues, including efforts to help Chileans and Argentinians who were seeking asylum in Canada at a time of great conflict and persecution in their home countries. While in Nicaragua Fr. Buddy was diagnosed with a rare degenerative nerve disease that eventually took his life.

**Monsignor Robert Hymus, SFM****September 2, 1915 – April 22, 1998**

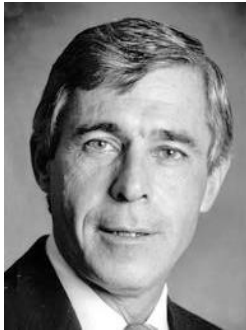
Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1939
Buried: Las Tablas, Dominican Republic

In March 1943, Frs. Bob Hymus and Desmond Stringer opened Scarboro's mission in the Dominican Republic. Throughout his 55 years there, Fr. Hymus served as pastor in many Dominican parishes. In 1965 he returned to Canada to head the Society's promotion efforts in Canada for five years before returning to the Dominican Republic. On four occasions Fr. Bob was chosen by his fellow missionaries in the Dominican Republic to represent them at major Society meetings. His colleagues knew him as a formidable man who shared his thoughts and ideas clearly and with conviction. On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his ordination, the Dominican church honoured him with the title of monsignor, which he accepted as an acknowledgement of the services of all Scarboro priests who had worked in the country.

**Rev. Paul Gibson Pendergast, SFM****July 21, 1926 – May 11, 1998**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 8, 1954
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In September 1955, newly ordained Fr. Paul Pendergast went to the Bahamas where he served for 44 years, his entire missionary life. He served on the island of Eleuthera at St. Paul's parish, Governor's Harbour; St. Gregory's parish, Gregorytown; and St. Ann's Church, Rock Sound; and St. Cecilia's parish in Nassau where he served until 1989 when he returned to Canada due to illness. His colleagues knew Fr. Paul as a very gentle and kind man whose life was characterized by his love for his Scarboro community and for the Bahamas and its people. When Fr. Paul arrived in Rock Sound, Eleuthera, he began building St. Anne's Church with the help of local labourers. Parishioners were surprised to see their priest mixing cement and hoisting beams into place, but it won their good will. He was also known to work with the people harvesting in the fields. Always encouraging and affirming, the people experienced him as one of them, as someone real and sincere. When Fr. Paul died, seminary classmate His Eminence Aloysius Cardinal Ambrozic celebrated the Mass of the Resurrection.



Bishop George Edward Marskell, SFM

November 8, 1935 – July 2, 1998

Born: Hamilton, Ontario
 Ordained: August 21, 1960
 Buried: Itacoatiara, Brazil

Bishop George Marskell passed away in Itacoatiara, Amazonas, Brazil, where he had served all of his missionary life. He had returned to Canada after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, but opted not to take chemotherapy and traveled back to Brazil as soon as he was well enough. Bishop George's life is truly an example of one who felt called to live in the service of the Gospel. Consecrated a bishop of the Prelacy of Itacoatiara in 1978, Dom Jorge created more inclusive decision-making processes within the prelacy and established the Assembly of the People, a bi-annual gathering of representatives of base Christian communities throughout the vast prelacy. "George was never a bishop *of* the people; he was a bishop *with* his people," says Mike O'Kane, a long-time friend. George loved the people of Amazonas and he loved the country. In his Will he had written, "I want to be buried in the cemetery amongst the people I was called by God, in His love, to serve."

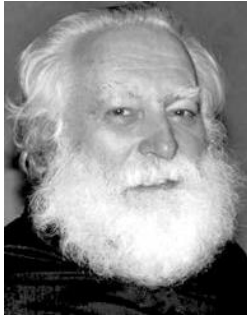


Rev. John Harvey Steele, SFM

May 3, 1911 – April 7, 1999

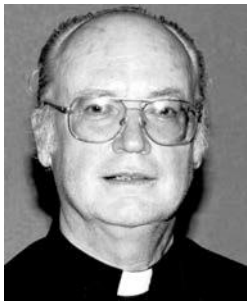
Born: Sydney, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 9, 1936
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Having started his priestly life in China, Fr. Harvey Steele never lost his interest in that country. At his death, he left a manuscript, *The Beginning and the End of Scarboro's First Mission: Lishui, China*, which he said was the best of everything he had ever written. He published three other books about his life as a missionary priest. Forced to leave China because of the war, Fr. Harvey spent time in Antigonish diocese with Fr. Jimmy Tomkins, pioneer of the Antigonish Movement, a cooperative movement to help communities become masters of their own destiny. Fr. Harvey would spend the rest of his life promoting cooperatives and credit unions in the Dominican Republic and in Panama. In 1964 he established the Interamerican Cooperative Institute (ICI) in Panama. Thousands of men and women from grassroots organizations across Latin America were ICI graduates and many are among the martyrs of the Latin American Church, murdered for defending the right to participate in the construction of a new society with local economies based on culture, community, cooperation, and group action. The establishing of ICI was Fr. Harvey's greatest achievement, the one of which he was most proud. It was the ultimate expression of his concern for the poor and for justice.

**Rev. Albert Stephen Felix, SFM****October 25, 1931 – August 16, 1999**

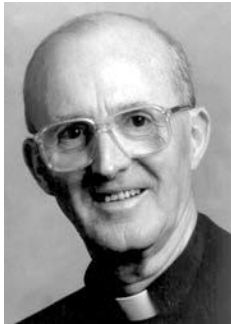
Born: Bruno, Saskatchewan
Ordained: August 15, 1963
Buried: Springlands, Guyana

On the Feast of the Assumption, August 15, 1999, and the 36th anniversary of his ordination, Fr. Al Felix gathered several parishes at the beach for games and swimming, and, of course, lots of food and even special treats for the children. Everyone remarked that the day had been a real celebration. The next day, Fr. Al was seen fishing in a small trench behind the parish rectory. Shortly after, he was found face down in the water. He had apparently slipped and hit his head. An autopsy revealed death by drowning. At the Mass of Resurrection, homilist Fr. Russ Sampson spoke about Fr. Al's ability to listen to the other, his simple lifestyle, and his gift of gathering people together as community and family.

**Rev. Donald Joseph Boyle, SFM****January 4, 1932 – March 19, 2000**

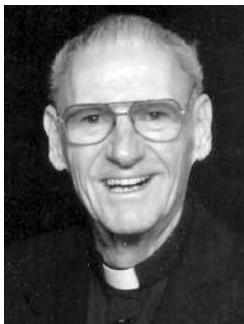
Born: Edmonton, Alberta
Ordained: June 7, 1959
Buried: Takanawa Church, Tokyo, Japan

Don studied for the priesthood first for the Archdiocese of Edmonton. However, he felt called to the missionary priesthood and joined us here at Scarboro Missions. Ordained in 1959 by Archbishop Anthony Jordan, he was appointed to Japan where he served almost all of his life. His widespread interests and active imagination coupled with considerable writing skills served him well during his four years in Canada as editor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. As well, he was of great assistance to the magazine's editors before and after him, contributing many fine articles on life in Japan as he saw and experienced it. Indeed, at the time of his death he was coordinating a special issue on Scarboro's mission in Japan. During his long missionary life in Japan, Fr. Don served in several parishes, primarily in Osaka. At the time of his death, he had just completed 15 years at Our Lady Queen of Angels parish built by the Society's founder, Msgr. John Mary Fraser.

**Rev. Donald Francis Macdonald, SFM****January 16, 1929 – May 13, 2000**

Born: Ardness, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 19, 1959
Buried: Lismore, Nova Scotia

In 1960 Fr. Don Macdonald was appointed to Japan, and after language studies in Tokyo he served in parishes in the Archdiocese of Nagasaki. During his missionary life in Japan, Fr. Don taught religious education at the Marist Brothers School in Kobe and at the School of the Sacred Heart Sisters in Tokyo. Upon retirement Fr. Don returned to Nova Scotia and settled in Lismore, not far from Ardness where he was born. A proud Scot, he returned to the Scottish communities overlooking the Northumberland Strait, not far from Antigonish, the seat of the diocese. Known as "Fr. Buddy" to family and friends and "D.F." (Donald Francis) to his colleagues at Scarboro Missions, Fr. Don is remembered by his community as a private man who in his own quiet way put himself at the service of people and his own community.

**Rev. John Joseph O'Connor, SFM****May 29, 1927 – November 7, 2001**

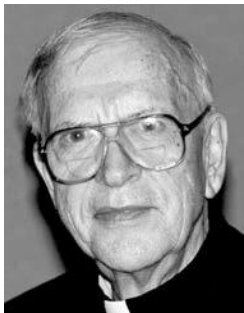
Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 22, 1951
Buried: Sun City, Florida, USA

In September 1952, Fr. John O'Connor arrived in the Dominican Republic during some of the difficult years of the Rafael Trujillo dictatorship. In 1961, Fr. John felt compelled to take a public stand against Trujillo. "After much soul searching," he wrote, "and with recognition of my own fears, inadequacies and unworthiness, that fateful but planned Sunday arrived. In my homily I spoke of murders, lack of freedom, violation of human rights, and the many social injustices perpetrated..." Because he spoke out, Fr. John was expelled from the country on trumped up charges of smuggling drugs and of corrupting people. Back in Canada, he returned to his studies and received a doctorate in psychology from the University of Ottawa in 1967. For the next 20 years he practiced clinical psychology. When he retired in Sun City, Florida, he dedicated himself to spiritual direction, especially accompanying cancer patients and their families.

**Rev. Hugh Fraser MacDougall, SFM****June 10, 1934 – November 13, 2001**

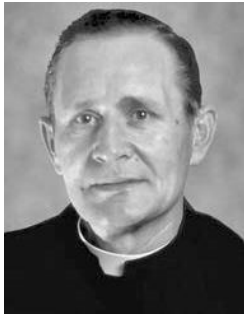
Born: Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia
Ordained: August 21, 1960
Buried: Bahia Honda, Cuba

Newly ordained Fr. Hugh MacDougall was appointed to St. Vincent, West Indies, in 1961. In 1975 he was recalled to Canada for his new assignment as director of students at Scarboro Missions at a time when the Society was opening its doors to lay people. In 1982 he began missionary work in Chiclayo, Peru, where he remained until recalled in 1991 to serve again as director of the student formation program. From 1992 to 1997 he served in Society leadership as a member of the General Council. In 1999 Fr. Hugh was assigned to work in Cuba with the Quebec Foreign Mission Society. He died accidentally outside of his residence in Havana after being struck by a bicycle as he crossed the street to his parked car. Sr. Mary Beth Moore of the Sisters of Charity (Halifax) who served with Fr. Hugh in Peru captured the feeling of one and all when she wrote, "My life is richer for his friendship."

**Rev. George Varin Courtright, SFM****June 24, 1916 – November 21, 2001**

Born: Ottawa, Ontario
Ordained: June 10, 1945
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

After his ordination in 1945, Fr. George Courtright was assigned to the Dominican Republic and served there for 15 years. He returned to Canada in 1960 and was appointed to the promotion department where he served until 1969. Later that year, at the invitation of Bishop Gerald Emmett Carter, he assumed a new role as director of missions for the Diocese of London, Ontario, dedicating himself to the promotion of mission work. In his early 80s, he officially retired to Fraser Acres, the Society's country residence in Omemee, Ontario, where he lived until a few months before his death. It was noted by many that Fr. George always tried to get along with everyone and never wanted to feel animosity toward anyone.

**Rev. Charles Joseph Lagan, SFM****March 30, 1938 – April 2, 2002**

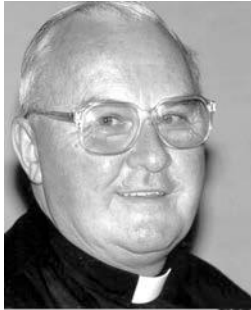
Born: Motherwell, Scotland
Ordained: August 11, 1963
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Charles Lagan was first assigned to the Dominican Republic where he served until returning to Canada in 1966 for health reasons. Later that year, he was assigned to the Bahamas mission and served on Harbour Island, in Nassau, and on Cat Island. He then went on to St. Vincent and the Grenadines for one year. He returned to Canada in 1975 for medical treatment and was assigned to work in his home diocese of Hamilton, Ontario, serving in the parishes of Burlington, Erin, Guelph, and Hamilton until he suffered a major stroke in 1993. Since that time Fr. Charlie had been part of the Scarboro community in Scarborough, Ontario. His faith was unwavering and we thank God for his perseverance throughout his long health struggle.

**Rev. Longard Anthony MacLean, SFM****July 17, 1935 – June 1, 2002**

Born: Antigonish, Nova Scotia
Ordained: August 20, 1961
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

After his ordination, Fr. Longie MacLean was assigned to the island of Leyte in the southern part of the Philippines where Scarboro missionaries had been present since 1954. Fr. Longie served in several Leyte parishes from 1961 to 1968. From his early days of priesthood, Fr. Longie suffered from bipolar disorder, which characteristically intensified as he grew older. Yet despite his struggles he continued to dedicate his life to pastoral ministry, which he loved. A recent letter from a friend witnesses to Fr. Longie's love of people: "...the Lord chose Fr. MacLean to bear a unique cross ministering to many and in turn being loved and revered by many."

**Rev. Patrick George McDonough, SFM****February 20, 1942 – June 29, 2002**

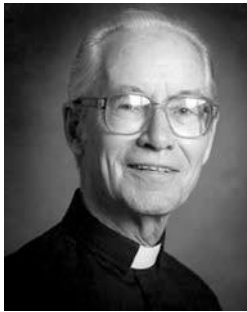
Born: Oromocto, New Brunswick
Ordained: August 5, 1967
Buried: Oromocto, New Brunswick

After his ordination in 1967, Fr. Pat McDonough was appointed to the Dominican Republic. Due to ill health he returned to Canada in 1970. He began an extended pastoral training course and in 1973 he began work in the Archdiocese of Winnipeg as pastor in Stonewall Missions and as chaplain at St. Joseph's Vocational School. In 1979 he was assigned to work in Scarboro's St. Vincent mission, but again Fr. Pat's health ended his overseas mission work and he returned home. In 1991 he studied gerontology and was appointed health and wellness coordinator at Scarboro's central house in Scarborough, Ontario, a position he held until 2000. The last years of his life were spent in a small parish close to his home in New Brunswick. His love of the Blessed Sacrament was profound. Although he carried oxygen with him at all times because of his emphysema, when the church in which he was pastor went up in flames, he set aside his oxygen tank and, at great danger to himself, rushed into the smoke-filled building to the tabernacle to rescue the sacred species.

**Rev. Douglas Joseph MacKinnon, SFM****November 19, 1931 – September 20, 2002**

Born: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 21, 1960
Buried: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia

Fr. Doug MacKinnon was one of the original Scarboro group assigned to Brazil, serving the Prelacy of Itacoatiara for 33 years. He helped to build up a church according to the teaching of Vatican II in which people share with priests and bishop in setting directions and goals for the local church as pilgrims together on a faith journey. In 1995 Fr. Doug began serving his home diocese of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. The 14 months prior to his death were spent as chaplain for the sisters of St. Martha at their motherhouse in Antigonish. The sisters remember him with fondness, saying they appreciated his willingness to help and his meaningful homilies.

**Rev. Basil John Kirby, SFM****October 4, 1917 – September 27, 2002**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 20, 1941
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Unable to go to mission in China because of World War II, Fr. Bas Kirby served in Scarboro's Promotion Department until he was assigned to the Dominican Rep. in 1944. In 1953 he went to work among the poor of Guyana when Scarboro began its mission efforts there. From 1957 to 1969 he served in the Dominican Republic. His missionary service in Canada included work first at our Latin American Institute in St. Mary's, Ontario, then at the seminary at our headquarters in Scarborough, Ontario, and finally as part of our formation-education team working with Scarboro's first lay mission candidates. He also served as secretary general and then as treasurer for Scarboro Missions until his retirement in 1985. Prior to his death Fr. Bas made his own funeral arrangements. He asked that the homily be focused not on himself but on "the Divine generosity by which we are called to be God's adopted children."

**Rev. Robert Joseph Moore, SFM****December 22, 1919 – November 14, 2002**

Born: St. John's, Newfoundland
Ordained: June 29, 1945
Buried: St. John's, Newfoundland

Fr. Bob was appointed to the Dominican Republic and served almost 30 years in many parishes. After Vatican II, he participated in renewal programs and over the years took time away from his pastoral work to study and update himself in pastoral theology and scripture. From 1977 onwards, he returned to Newfoundland and worked at the Basilica in St. John's and then at St. Kevin's parish in Gould. In 1990 he retired from any official pastoral work but continued to help out in parishes in St. John's. He was a quiet man and went about his work as a priest with humility. He was proud of Newfoundland and of being a Newfoundlander. Fr. Bob died suddenly of a heart attack at his residence in St. John's.

**Rev. Paul Denis Ouellette, SFM****September 1, 1928 – February 13, 2003**

Born: Windsor, Ontario
Ordained: December 20, 1952
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In his first two years as a Scarboro missionary priest, Fr. Paul served in the promotion department in Canada. In 1955 he was assigned to the Dominican Republic, but while home in Canada for the 1968 General Chapter, he was elected superior general of the Society. He served in this position of leadership until 1974 and returned to the Dominican Republic. In 1978 he was recalled to Canada to coordinate the formation of priests and lay missionaries. He was appointed to Peru in 1983 for four years, returning to the Dominican Republic in 1987. He ended his overseas missionary service in 1994 and then worked in communications, helping to promote Scarboro Missions through the use of computer technology and the Internet. In his will he wrote, "Death is as much a reality as birth, growth, maturity, and age. It is the one certainty of life."

**Rev. David Benedict Fitzpatrick, SFM****June 8, 1927 – April 5, 2003**

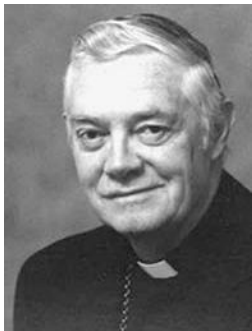
Born: Pembroke, Ontario
Ordained: December 22, 1951
Buried: Pembroke, Ontario

Filled with zeal to proclaim God's love for all people, Fr. Dave went to Japan in 1952 working in Nagoya and Ichinomiya in central Japan and in Nagasaki Prefecture on the southern island of Kyushu. In 1960, he went to St. Vincent and the Grenadines for two years. In 1965, he returned to Japan where he spent the next 30 years, mostly in Minokamo, near Nagoya. Sickness forced him to return to Canada in 1993. His warm personality, wonderful sense of humour, and thoughtful remembrances endeared him to many people. He reached out with his contagious smile and formed lasting bonds of friendship. He wanted everyone to come to know and rely on God's love. During the 46 years that he worked in Japan, he came to love the food, the culture, the music and the people. Japan and its people were the love of his life. The Japanese Hockey Federation honoured him for his contribution to the development of hockey in Japan. He was buried beside his parents in Pembroke, Ontario.

**Rev. Michael Thomas Cox, SFM****January 27, 1923 – April 9, 2003**

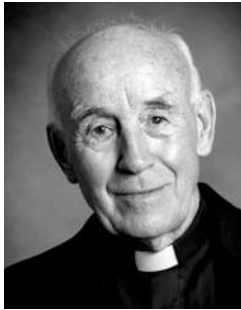
Born: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia
Ordained: December 17, 1950
Buried: Glace Bay, Nova Scotia

Fr. Mike gave 50 years of service to the church in Japan and was respected and loved by the people he served. Proficient in Japanese, he served in parishes in the Nagasaki Archdiocese on the southern island of Kyushu, as well as in Nagoya Diocese in central Japan. However, for most of his missionary life he worked in parishes of the Archdiocese of Tokyo. After Fr. Mike returned to Canada in 2001. In a desire for simplicity and to avoid undue praise, he began writing his own obituary and made arrangements for his funeral and for the funeral Mass of the Resurrection. The mass was a celebration of Fr. Mike's constant faith in God and his profound thanksgiving for God's goodness, with special gratitude for the gift of the priesthood.

**Bishop Paul Francis McHugh, SFM****August 21, 1924 – May 6, 2003**

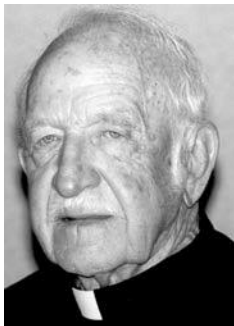
Born: Woodslee, Ontario
Ordained: December 8, 1954
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Bishop Paul McHugh began his first mission assignment in 1955 to the Dominican Republic. He was recalled home in 1958 and spent the next three years promoting the work of Scarboro Missions. In 1961, he and four other Scarboro priests went to Brazil to help set up the Prelacy of Itacoatiara, east of Manaus. This was the start of Scarboro's mission in Brazil. In 1965, he was named Prelate Nullius (acting bishop) for the fledgling diocese and attended Vatican Council II in Rome. He was ordained the first bishop of Itacoatiara by Archbishop Baggio in 1967 and continued to serve there until his return to Canada in 1972. He was appointed executive director of the Pontifical Mission Society in Canada in 1974, working for papal missions until he suffered a severe stroke in 1981. He was known for his faith, determination, and great devotion to the Holy Spirit, which he shared with everyone.

**Rev. Thomas McQuaid, SFM****September 5, 1908 – October 27, 2003**

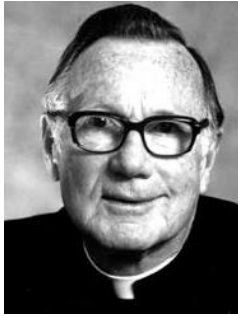
Born: Seaforth, Ontario
Ordained: December 17, 1939
Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In 1940 Fr. McQuaid went to China and attended language school in Peking (Beijing) where he was interned by the Japanese from 1943 to 1945. Upon his release, he went to Lishui where he served until 1947 when he returned to Canada to be vice rector of the seminary. The Second General Chapter in 1949 elected Fr. McQuaid superior general. He remained in that post until 1959. From 1959 to 1966 he served as novice master at Nazareth House, St. Mary's, Ontario. In 1966 he was assigned to the Caribbean. In 1989, Fr. McQuaid retired to Canada. In his homily at the funeral mass Fr. Joe Curcio said that in Fr. Tom's last moments "he raised his head to greet his greatest love, the Lord, then gently went with him." Fr. McQuaid was in his 96th year.

**Rev. John Joseph Moriarty, SFM****August 18, 1917 – June 23, 2004**

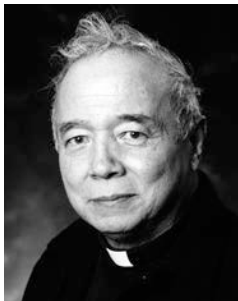
Born: Harbour Grace, Newfoundland
Ordained: June 29, 1945
Buried: Stapleton, Stephenville, Newfoundland

Joe was first assigned to the Dominican Republic in 1945 and served in Yamasa, San Jose de Ocoa, and in Boya. In 1953 he spent a year in Wainright, Alberta, and then was assigned to British Guiana (Guyana) where he served as pastor in Port Mourant. In 1957 he returned to the Dominican Republic and was assistant in Yamasa until his appointment as pastor in Monte Plata in November of 1959, a post he held until 1965. Fr. Joe was on holiday in Canada in 1965 when his assistant in Monte Plata, Scarboro Father Art McKinnon, was murdered. In 1967 Fr. Joe was appointed to the Bahamas and helped in pastoral work there until 1970 when he returned to Newfoundland, working in Searston, Codroy Valley, and Picadilly in St. George's Diocese. In 1983 he retired in Stephenville, Newfoundland, and lived there until his death.

**Rev. Patrick John Moore, SFM****December 27, 1911 – November 20, 2004**

Born: Ingersoll, Ontario
Ordained: September 23, 1934
Buried: Parklawn Cemetery, Sudbury, Ontario

After working in various parishes in Canada, Fr. Pat Moore was assigned to China in 1936. Poor health forced him to return to Canada in 1937. During the next seven years he held various appointments in Canada including as a member of the seminary staff. In 1944 he was missioned to the Dominican Republic. In 1948 Fr. Pat went to Fatima where he obtained a Third World Pilgrim Virgin statue of Our Lady. He returned to the Dominican Republic and from June 1948 he preached the message of Fatima for the next 36 years. The "Fatima Tour" covered nearly 300,000 miles by land, sea, and air. Most of the Caribbean islands, many South American countries, many dioceses in Canada, Alaska, and the Yukon were visited. In 1982 he embarked on a world tour to the Philippines, Australia, and Thailand. Poor health and three operations in three years forced him to retire in 1984. He spent the next 20 years with his close friends, the D'Alosio family, in Sudbury. It was quite remarkable to see the love and respect that the D'Alosio family had for Fr. Pat.

**Rev. Ronald Thomas Pete, SFM****September 5, 1933 – March 22, 2005**

Born: East Chester, Nova Scotia
Ordained: August 21, 1960
Buried: Halifax, Nova Scotia

Fr. Ron Pete's first mission posting was to Our Lady of Fatima Parish in British Guiana (Guyana) in 1961. He later became pastor of Port Mourant where he served from 1965 to 1970. He returned to Canada for a year to study at the Divine Word Centre in London, Ontario, and went back to Guyana as associate pastor in New Amsterdam. In 1977 he was assigned with Sr. Doris McMullen to the Audio Visual department at Scarboro's central house in Scarborough, Ontario. In 1980 he took a full year pastoral education program at Toronto Western Hospital and the following year he spent three months in a chaplaincy internship at Kingston Penitentiary in Ontario. He was assigned in 1984 to work with the Korean community in Toronto. He returned to his home province in 2000 when Archbishop Prendergast appointed him pastor of East Chezzetcook, Nova Scotia. He died at Victoria General Hospital in Halifax, Nova Scotia, having lost his battle with cancer.

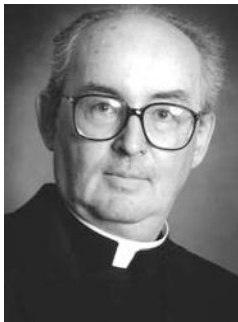


Rev. Howard James Shea, SFM

January 30, 1924 – November 14, 2005

Born: Pleasant View, Prince Edward Island
 Ordained: December 22, 1951
 Buried: Tignish, Prince Edward Island

After his ordination, Fr. Howie Shea was appointed to do promotion work for the society. This type of work, which involved a lot of traveling and heavy lifting, caused his back to give out. Not able to return to work in the Promotion Department, Fr. Shea pursued studies that would qualify him to teach philosophy to the many students studying for priesthood at the Society's St. Francis Xavier China Mission Seminary and at the Archdiocese of Toronto's St. Augustine's Seminary. In 1970 he joined the staff of St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia. After 19 years of teaching, Fr. Shea became involved in retreat work, spiritual direction, and teaching catechetics throughout Canada and in Florida.



Rev. Robert James Cranley, SFM

December 10, 1929 – May 30, 2006

Born: Lethbridge, Alberta
 Ordained: December 8, 1954
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

In 1955, Fr. Bob Cranley was appointed to southern Leyte in the Philippines where he served as assistant in Hinundayan, Cabalian (now San Juan), and Liloan. In 1960 he was appointed pastor of Anahawan, also in Southern Leyte, and served there until 1965, except for a year spent in Canada on furlough and worked as vocations director in the Public Relations Department. In 1970 Fr. Cranley took a course in hospital chaplaincy in the United States Bishops and the following year he began working as chaplain at the Scarborough General Hospital. In 1979, Fr. Cranley was appointed secretary general and archivist of the Society, posts he held for 17 years until his death. For much of his life, Fr. Cranley had suffered from many serious ailments, yet he never complained. As the years progressed, his health began to deteriorate. Lay Mission Office coordinators at the time, John and Jean MacInnis, remembered Fr. Cranley's friendship and kindnesses: "He had indeed been a great supporter of the lay missionaries in his own very quiet way."

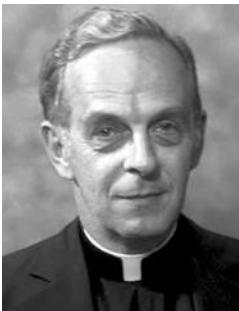


Rev. Joseph Murdock Young, SFM

September 8, 1934 – August 23, 2006

Born: North Sydney, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 21, 1960
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Joe Young's first mission was to Guyana in 1961. In 1970 he was appointed to the Bahamas, serving for two years at St. Thomas More Parish in Nassau. Fr. Joe returned to Guyana in 1973 and served there for the next 10 years, mainly in New Amsterdam. Fr. Young returned to Canada in 1983 for a sabbatical year, followed by his appointment as director of the Society's Mission Information Department in 1985 where he worked for the next three years, including two years as editor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine. Fr. Joe had been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in 1986, yet he took on the responsibility of looking after Fraser Acres, the Scarboro farm property in Omemee, Ontario. In 1998 he took up residence at the Society's central house in Scarborough and in 2000 was transferred to Providence Villa extended care facility in Scarborough where he remained until his death.

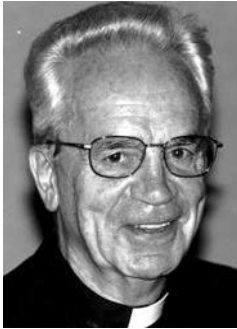


Rev. Joseph Pierre Richard, SFM

November 28, 1931 – February 10, 2007

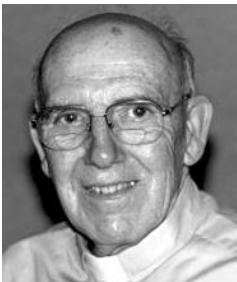
Born: Quebec City, Quebec
 Ordained: December 22, 1956
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Pierre was first assigned to the Philippines in August, 1957 and began language study in Ozon. In April of 1958 he was appointed curate in Cabalian. In 1959 he was transferred to the Scarboro mission in the Dominican Rep. where he served in Bani and El Seibo. From 1964 to 1983, Fr. Richard served as Army Chaplain. By 1977 he had reached the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. In 1985 Pierre returned to Scarboro Missions headquarters to serve as Treasurer General. He was appointed by Rome as Director of Pontifical Missions in Canada (1991-96). He then returned to Scarboro and resumed responsibilities as Treasurer before retiring in 2002. At the wake service there was a good participation and appreciation of Pierre as the gentleman, the epitome of hospitality, Pierre the charmer and Pierre the compassionate priest to the residents and staff at Rosalie Hall.

**Rev. Louis Joseph Quinn, SFM****January 12, 1928 – October 11, 2007**

Born: Newcastle, England
Ordained: December 20, 1952
Buried: San José de Ocoa, Dominican Republic

In September 1953 Fr. Lou was assigned to the Dominican Republic. After studies at the Coady Institute in Antigonish in 1965 he returned to the Dominican Republic and was appointed to the Parish of San Jose de Ocoa where he served until his death 42 years later. Committed to the poor, Padre Luis wove pastoral and sacramental ministries together with economic development aimed directly at improving the lives of the people. His work as priest and pastor was of such impact that he received the highest of honours from the Dominican Republic, Canada and the Vatican. He was granted citizenship in the Dominican Republic by an act of the National Assembly and in 2002 the Senate of the Dominican Republic declared him the "Father Protector" of the newly created state of San José de Ocoa. On March 1, 1995, he received the Order of Canada and was also presented with the papal medal Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice (Decoration of Honour) for his service to the Church. Fr. Quinn died peacefully in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, following heart surgery.

**Rev. Francis James Hawkshaw, SFM****February 9, 1927 – May 14, 2009**

Born: Toronto, Ontario
Ordained: December 87, 1954
Buried: Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill, Ontario

After ordination, Fr. Hawkshaw was missioned to Japan where he served for nearly 50 years in various Scarboro parishes. He also took his turn as regional superior. He was called home to Canada in 1965 to serve as bursar and assistant spiritual director at the Society's seminary in Scarborough. Before returning to Japan in 1970 he did further studies in pastoral training and theology. In the parish of Sasebo, he and Fr. Clair Yaeck started a credit union study club of a dozen members who worked on translating English-only pamphlets into Japanese, all the while learning about this new way of saving and borrowing. These study club members would become the leaders of Japan's first credit union. Fr. Hawkshaw said that to be successful, a credit union must have mutual trust, goodwill and a sense of responsibility for another: "The parish credit union develops these qualities and hence not only helps people financially but brings about a strong parish community fitting the mystical Body of Christ." In 2002 Fr. Hawkshaw retired and returned to Canada. A pastoral missionary, he was interested in reading and discussing the latest ideas in theology and evangelization. His gifts of humility, cheerfulness, compassion for others and support for his fellow missionaries were always in evidence.

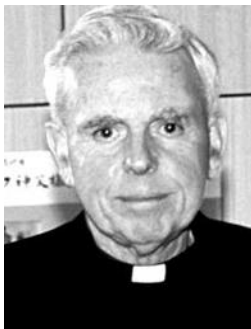


Rev. James Alexander Gillis, SFM

January 31, 1923 - September 2, 2009

Born: Inverness, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: December 17, 1950
 Buried: St. Ninian's cemetery, Antigonish, Nova Scotia

Fr. Gillis joined Scarboro Missions after serving as a soldier in World War II. His first overseas assignments were to the Dominican Republic and then to the Philippines where the people still remember him for his compassionate, understanding manner. He also served in Canada and assisted Fr. Jack McIver in setting up a language and cultural learning centre for new priests being assigned to Latin America. In 1967 he was sent to Antigonish, Nova Scotia, as a professor of history at St. Francis Xavier University and to help with the newly opened Scarboro House for seminarians. In 1973, he accepted a position as Corrections Service Counselor, at the Dorchester, New Brunswick, penitentiary. In 1979 he returned to Antigonish to work as a counselor for Canada Manpower until he retired. He had a special love for the Indigenous Peoples living on the reserve in nearby Afton, and they in turn loved him. With a heart for the poor, Jim continued to live out his priesthood in Antigonish in a quiet but dedicated way, serving others until the end of his life.



Rev. Alexander Duncan McDonald, SFM

June 3, 1927 – June 4, 2010

Born: Alexandria, Ontario
 Ordained: December 22, 1951
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Alex McDonald served a year with the Royal Canadian Navy before entering the St. Francis Xavier seminary. He was first assigned to Japan where he served his entire missionary life, 52 years. Forty of those years were in the parish of Ichinomiya where he started a credit union that is today the largest in Japan. He returned to Canada in 2004, he remained active in his retirement, offering assistance in parishes in Scarborough, Lancaster, and Williamstown, Ontario, and served as chaplain to the Japanese Catholic Community in Toronto. Naturally reserved, he was soft spoken and sought to live his life with tranquility and peace. He was also known for a tenacity with which he pursued his objectives with humility and methodical precision. As an avid golfer both in Japan and Canada, there were very few commitments that would keep Fr. Alex from his regular visit to the golf course. When not golfing, he took daily walks even on the coldest days. He was a "true companion" and a great storyteller. He knew the truth espoused by Sue Monk who said, "Stories have to be told or they die and when they die we can't remember who we are and why we're here." Fr. Alex continually reminded us of who we are and why we are here.



Rev. Napoleon Victor Vachon, SFM

July 22, 1921 – August 27, 2010

Born: Verner, Ontario
 Ordained: December 8, 1954
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

A veteran of WWII, Fr. Victor Vachon entered the St. Francis Xavier seminary and after ordination he was assigned to the Dominican Republic in 1955. He returned to Canada in 1974 due to health reasons but continued parish work in St. Joseph's Church in Windsor, Ontario. He lived a life of simplicity and emulated the mission of Jesus by inviting, embracing, and advocating for the poor, the destitute, the outcast and the marginalized in whom he saw the face of God. He spent little on himself, preferring the most simple and a less costly alternative lifestyle. An avid bridge player, he also enjoyed the game of pool. The Scarboro community is grateful for Fr. Victor's exemplary faith and joyful witness to Christ as a priest and teacher, and for his generosity, honesty and compassion.



Rev. Lionel John Walsh, SFM

December 27, 1929 – April 27, 2011

Born: Allan's Island, Newfoundland
 Ordained: December 21, 1957
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Walsh taught school for many years before joining Scarboro Missions. After ordination he was assigned to the Dominican Republic where he served most of his 54 years of priesthood. He wanted only one thing in life and that was to be a good priest. In 1967 until 1971, he served in Canada as director of the Scarboro Formation House in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, on the campus of St. Francis Xavier University. In 2003 he returned home from the Dominican Republic due to ill health. He had a quiet manner and a careful, studied way of speaking. He was able to identify new trends and opportunities and was elected by the Dominican Republic missionaries to represent them as a delegate at every General Chapter meeting in Canada in which he was eligible to serve. They relied on his fairness and good judgment. He read widely on many subjects, and he loved food, music and the theatre. With a love for the poor among whom he served throughout his life, he treated all with dignity and respect.



Rev. Linus Michael Wall, SFM

March 26, 1919 – July 13, 2011

Born: Harbour Grace, Newfoundland
 Ordained: June 27, 1949
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Walsh was a warm Newfoundlander known for his deep faith and conviction, his youthful vigour and enthusiasm for life. He spent his first five years of priesthood in the Dominican Republic before being assigned to Guyana (then British Guiana) where he served for 52 years. For most of his time in Guyana he served as pastor of Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Georgetown. Parishioner Andrew Kerry wrote that Fr. Wall "had a prophetic vision; he saw the future of the church in lay formation. In the mid-70s a diocesan policy was implemented to train lay people and Our Lady of Fatima had more people in training than any other parish...Fr. Wall truly believed that much of the work in the parish could be done by lay people. For years he encouraged and empowered us." Fr. Wall empowered people to share in God's mission.

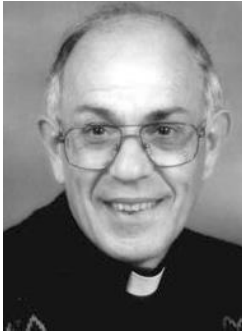


Rev. Joseph Anthony Curcio, SFM

June 6, 1924 – August 30, 2011

Born: Toronto, Ontario
 Ordained: December 20, 1952
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

A veteran of World War II, Fr. Joe was missioned to the Dominican Republic for 19 years before returning to Canada to serve with the laity and in the formation of new missionaries. They remember his message to them, that they were about to live on the sacred ground of another's culture and traditions, and that they must go gently, "being careful not to be an obstacle to the Gospel being planted and acculturated as God planned." From 1983 to 1988 he was missioned to Nicaragua, witnessing firsthand the devastation brought by the Contra War. "I was happy to be able to go there to support the poor in their struggle to build a just society," he said. "Yet very soon I was confronted with the situation of a church divided, some supporting the revolution and some not." He returned to Canada in 1987 due to illness, but he always remembered the beauty of that difficult moment in history: "It is the beauty of all peoples and can be perceived when the yoke of rich versus poor, north versus south, east versus west; of colour, religion, and the bounds of truth and justice are surpassed by life-giving love and solidarity. Without love, all is a tinkling symbol!" In his almost 60 years of priestly service he also served among the Chipewyan People in Prince Albert and North Battleford, Saskatchewan.



Rev. Richard James Veltri, SFM

October 16, 1934 – September 12, 2011

Born: Port Arthur, Ontario
 Ordained: August 5, 1967
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Richard Veltri began his career as a teacher in the Bahamas before joining Scarboro Missions. After ordination he was assigned to Japan where he did pastoral ministry and studied for his Bachelor of Arts degree at Tokyo's Sophia University. In 1974 he returned to Canada to serve in the Mission Information Department and as Secretary General to the Council. Throughout the 1980s until his death, Fr. Veltri served at St. Maria Goretti Parish in Scarborough, and helped out in other parishes in the Greater Toronto Area. After receiving his licentiate in canon law at St. Paul's University in Ottawa in the early 1990s, he served on the marriage tribunal of the Archdiocese of Toronto and in the Diocese of Thunder Bay. He is remembered for his wit, his love for his Italian heritage, and his creativity expressed through his love of cooking, painting and weaving.



Rev. Justin Clare MacInnis, SFM

October 20, 1933 – August 11, 2012

Born: New Victoria, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 11, 1963
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Justin MacInnis died on August 11, 2012, exactly 49 years to the day that he was ordained to the priesthood. After ordination, Fr. MacInnis was assigned to Itacoatiara, Brazil, where he served for 18 years. Upon his return to Canada in 1982, he assisted at Sacred Heart parish in Edmonton for three years during which time he also served at Hope Mission, an agency for impoverished and homeless men, women and children in Alberta. Returning to Scarboro's central house in Scarborough, Ontario, he often travelled to Northern Ontario to serve First Nations communities. Fr. Justin was a regular contributor to Scarboro Missions magazine, writing Lenten and Easter theological reflections for which he received an Award of Excellence from the Canadian Church Press in 1990. In one of his articles, Fr. Justin wrote, "to believe in the resurrection is to affirm that God can realize his kingdom in the human person and can transform human life. It is to believe and hope in a total realization of the possibilities of this present world." That was Fr. Justin's lived theology as he journeyed with Indigenous Peoples in Brazil, Northern Ontario, and at the Hope Mission in Edmonton, living the mystery of the incarnation among the poorest of God's poor.



Rev. Joseph Cleary Villeneuve, SFM

June 21, 1920 – November 3, 2012

Born: Maxville, Ontario
 Ordained: September 22, 1951
 Buried: St. Andrew's West, Ontario

Fr. Cleary Villeneuve joined the Canadian Armed Forces during World War II and served first as a reservist guarding the St. Lawrence Seaway and later as a member of the signal brigade that participated in the storming of the beaches of Normandy on D-Day. After the war, he entered St. Francis Xavier Seminary and was assigned to Japan in 1952, after his ordination. He began language studies and after two years was appointed curate to Msgr. John Mary Fraser, founder of Scarboro Missions, who was then pastor at Yoshizuka parish in Fukuoka. Fr. Villeneuve served in Japan for 49 years, in Yoshizuka, Shimabara, and Nagoya. In 1973 he was elected to the regional council of the Japan mission. He returned to Canada in 2002. Fr. Cleary was remembered as a faith-filled man who gave encouragement to his fellow missionaries and showed interest in their work. Any who visited him in Japan were welcomed with grace and hospitality. In Fukuoka, the people expressed deep sorry upon learning of his death and Bishop Nomura of Nagoya Diocese wrote to thank Scarboro Missions for Fr. Cleary's long service.



Rev. Ronald Joseph MacFarlane, SFM

October 6, 1936 – February 11, 2013

Born: Inverness, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 20, 1961
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Ron MacFarlane died on the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima to whom he had a special devotion. Following ordination Fr. MacFarlane was missioned to the Dominican Republic and began language studies. He served as curate in various locations throughout the Dominican Republic. In 1969 he also assisted Fr. Harvey Steele at the International Cooperative Institute in Panama. In 1973 Fr. Ron began serving as a Canadian Armed Forces chaplain in Canada and overseas. He retired from the military in 1994 after 21 years and returned to the Scarboro Missions central house in Scarborough, Ontario, to serve as House Coordinator. In 1998 he began serving in the Bahamas mission assisting Scarboro missionary Msgr. Ambrose MacKinnon and visiting with the poor and the sick. After being diagnosed with Lou Gherig's disease, he would return to Canada in 2007 and died six years later. Fr. Ron was well known for being a sports enthusiast with an encyclopedic knowledge of sports trivia. At his wake and funeral, his deep faith and love for the church were highlighted.

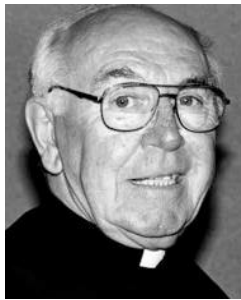


Rev. Paul James McGuire, SFM

March 3, 1933 – September 11, 2015

Born: Omemee, Ontario
 Ordained: May 31, 1958
 Buried: Downeyville, Ontario

Fr. Jim McGuire was ordained for the Diocese of Peterborough and spent his early years serving there before joining Scarboro Missions. His first assignment as a Scarboro missionaries was to the Philippines in 1962 where he served for 33 years, serving twice as regional superior. In 1980, Bishop Claver in the Diocese of Bukidnon, Mindanao, asked Scarboro missionaries to begin serving the large non-Christian indigenous population. Jim saw the missionaries as "friends of the lumad," the tribal peoples who were the poorest of the poor. He said, "We are here to learn as well as to teach. We have seen that all peoples are abundantly blessed by God with their own culture and dignity." In 1997, Fr. Jim was elected to the Society's General Council for a five-year term. With the Philippines mission now closed, he went to share the Gospel in Malawi where he served for 10 years, returning to Canada to retire at the age of 80. "The longing of people everywhere," he said, "is for peace, freedom, justice, and equality. It is through dialogue and sharing as brothers and sisters that a new world is being born."

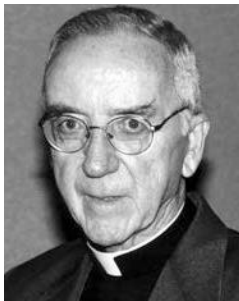


Rev. Gerald Anthony Donovan, SFM

January 17, 1927 – February 14, 2017

Born: Smiths Falls, Ontario
 Ordained: May 31, 1958
 Buried: Toledo, Ontario

After ordination, Fr. Donovan was assigned to the Dominican Republic where he served for 25 years as pastor. He arrived during the latter years of Rafael Trujillo's brutal dictatorship. By 1961, when Trujillo was assassinated, thousands of Dominicans were in dire poverty and suffering from hunger. As executive director of Caritas-Santo Domingo until 1963, Fr. Donovan worked alongside Bishop Thomas O'Reilly, president of Caritas, in overseeing the "food for the poor" program throughout the country, helping more than 300,000 Dominicans. Fr. Donovan also served as bursar for the Scarboro priests in the Dominican Republic. He appealed for help from Canadian benefactors to build chapels and for other community and social development projects. He also valued the work of the Catechetical Institute founded by Sr. Virginia Laporte, an Ursuline Sister from London, Ontario. "The services rendered in a parish by a well-formed group of catechists are invaluable," he said. Fr. Donovan also served for a year in Nicaragua, and for several years in the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Florida, ministering to Spanish speaking Catholics. In his final years, he helped at various Toronto parishes while residing at the Society's central house in Scarborough, Ontario.



Rev. Kenneth Ignatius MacAulay, SFM

April 3, 1926 – September 6, 2017

Born: Souris, Prince Edward Island
 Ordained: December 19, 1953
 Buried: St. Augustine's Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario

Fr. Ken MacAulay was appointed to British Guiana (Guyana) in 1954 serving at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Georgetown. He returned to Canada to do studies in finance and accounting and was appointed bursar and spiritual director at the St. Francis Xavier Seminary, and later treasurer general of Scarboro Missions. He returned to Guyana from 1974 to 1977, and then began serving in Canada when he was twice elected as superior general. He returned again to Guyana in 1988, but was recalled to Canada to serve as director of the Mission Information Department, dedicating his life to pastoral work and mission animation in Canada. "I have a very simplistic view of mission," Fr. Ken said, "but it is what I work by. It is revealing God's love in our unique situation and that can take a hundred forms." He was also a strong advocate for the Scarboro laity, who he said "go overseas not as priest helpers and not to substitute for priest missionaries, but as lay people with their own missionary vocation, their own responsibility and privilege to witness God's love in our world."



Rev. Frank Anton Hegel, SFM

November 27, 1946 – December 24, 2017

Born: Allan, Saskatchewan
 Ordained: December 8, 1984
 Buried: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

Prior to joining Scarboro Missions in 1979, Fr. Frank Hegel worked as a teacher and then principal at St. Joseph Elementary School in Saskatchewan. He then volunteered with CUSO in St. Kitts, West Indies, and in Botswana, Africa, learning from the poor in a cross-cultural setting. As a Scarboro priest candidate, he was assigned to Chiclayo, Peru, to the parish of St. Joseph the Worker, returning to Canada in 1987 to join the formation team preparing priest and lay candidates for mission. He was re-assigned to Chiclayo in 1990, supporting the people during a time of violence and terror. In 1993 Fr. Frank was assigned to Scarboro's new mission in Riobamba, Ecuador. In 1997 he was appointed rector of the cathedral in Riobamba and rector of Christ the Good Shepherd diocesan seminary for campesino and Indigenous men who desired to be "poor priests who serve the poor." Diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 1995, Fr. Frank returned to Canada in 2001 where he served as Treasurer General and in formation. He supported the central house community by leading retreats, giving spiritual direction, and writing the memorial for deceased Scarboro members. He also wrote his autobiography.



Rev. Charles Joseph Hector Gervais, SFM

January 1, 1935 – March 1, 2018

Born: Elie, Manitoba
 Ordained: December 23, 1961
 Buried: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

In 1962 Fr. Charlie Gervais was assigned to Southern Leyte in the Philippines and immediately fell in love with the Filipino people. He became involved in establishing credit unions and cooperatives to help poor farmers to better their lives. In 1969 he was appointed director of Scarboro's Public Relations Department, coordinating a team doing mission education throughout Canada. He returned to Leyte in 1973, but was again recalled to serve as animator of Scarboro's formation house in Edmonton's inner city. In 1981 he became the first Scarboro priest appointed to the Diocese of Malaybalay on the Philippine island of Mindanao, during a time of conflict between the military and armed revolutionaries. In 1984, he began working with the Manobo Indigenous Peoples of Mindanao whose life and livelihood were under threat by logging companies. He accompanied them in their three-year struggle to secure a logging ban for the province. In 2001 Fr. Charlie joined the mission team in Riobamba, Ecuador, working with Indigenous Peoples living on the slopes of the Andes. In his retirement nine years later, Fr. Charlie wrote two books, *The People's Revolution* and *Adventures in Development*, about his experience of the Philippines and its people.



Rev. Raymond Leslie O'Toole, SFM

November 1, 1938 – January 5, 2019

Born: Alder Point, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 11, 1963
 Buried: Alder Point, Cape Breton, NS

After ordination, Fr. Ray was appointed to Brazil in 1965 just as Vatican II was concluding. The Church in Brazil was responding to the call for the Church to be a voice for the poor and oppressed, for social justice and for the liberation of all people. This remained a core element of his priesthood. He returned to Canada for theological studies and a Doctorate of Ministry, and held various positions at the Toronto School of Theology. He served in the Society's Mission Information Department and Justice and Peace Office, working with the Canadian inter-church coalitions on justice in Latin America. In 1985 he worked as Director of Field Education at the Toronto School of Theology. In 1988, he accepted a position at the Holy Spirit Study Centre of the Diocese of Hong Kong, researching and analyzing developments in the Catholic Church in China. In 1997, he was elected to the Society's General Council, when he established the Interfaith Desk. In 2005, he returned to Hong Kong to serve with the Federation of Asian Bishops Conferences (FABC) first as Assistant Secretary General and then as Secretary General, the first non-bishop to hold this post.



Rev. Gerald Joseph Curry, SFM

August 6, 1934 – March 10, 2019

Born: Sydney, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 21, 1960
 Buried: Sydney Forks, Cape Breton, NS

Fr. Gerry Curry spent his first 13 years of priesthood in Japan. He returned to Canada to serve as Editor of *Scarboro Missions* magazine, a position he held from 1975-1979 and again from 1989-2003. He served on the General Council from 1978-1982. Through his work as Editor, his involvement in the Canadian Church media, and as one of the founders of the Central Mission Conference, he promoted mission education, focusing on social justice, the integrity of creation, the empowerment of women, refugees and all who are poor and marginalized. He was also instrumental in establishing Scarboro Missions' interfaith ministry beginning in 1996. Restless for the Reign of God, Fr. Curry was an outspoken witness to the Gospel and to "the things that make for peace" (*Luke 19:42*), what he believed were the primary concerns of the Church. He said, "Through our missionary experience among the poor, we have learned that poverty does not just happen but is oftentimes caused by injustice. Therefore, much of our message has been about justice and it being at the core of the message and ministry of Jesus." He called everyone to advocacy and service as a requirement of their faith: "...what a privilege to be part of living Jubilee, serving freedom and justice and hope among a people claiming their dignity as sons and daughters of God."



Rev. Omar Daniel Dixon, SFM

April 14, 1941 – May 22, 2019

Born: South Harbour, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia
 Ordained: August 6, 1966
 Buried: Itapiranga, Amazonas, Brazil

After ordination, Fr. Omar Dixon studied at the Latin American Institute in St. Mary's, Ontario, and was assigned to Scarboro's Brazil mission, arriving in February 1968. Twice elected as Regional Coordinator of the Brazil mission where he served for 51 years, Fr. Omar choose to remain among the people after retirement, living in a house that the people of Itapiranga had built for him. In 2011, Fr. Ron MacDonell wrote of Fr. Omar, at that time the longest serving Scarboro missionary in Brazil: "Omar has many stories to tell about his missionary life, particularly about the years he lived on a prelay boat upriver. Stories, indeed, that all of us could tell: tales of storms and boat mishaps, illnesses and recoveries, confrontations with corrupt authorities; but also tales of great joy, of friendship with the people, of finding Christ in this Amazonian church. 'The desert is fertile,' wrote the prophet Archbishop Dom Helder Camara. So, too, is the jungle, as witnessed by Scarboro missionaries—fertile with love of God and thirst for justice."