

## Rev. Felix Fink; Pastor at Brockton

Rev. Felix Fink, pastor of St. Bartholomew's Church, Brockton, died at 6:10 p.m. Monday in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Pottsville, where he had been a patient the last ninth months. During that time he submitted to surgery several times.

A brother to Msgr. Leo F. Fink, of Limeport, pastor emeritus of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Allentown, and Vicar General of the Allentown Catholic Diocese, Father Felix had been rector of the Brockton church 40 years.

A director of the Good Samaritan Hospital, Father Felix was widely known for his charitable works.

Ordained June 8, 1919 in the Cathedral of SS Peter and Paul, Philadelphia, by the late Dennis Cardinal Dougherty, then Archbishop of Philadelphia, Father Felix attended St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

His first parish assignment was in South Philadelphia. He was later assigned to St. Stephen's Church in Northeast Philadelphia and then to St. Bartholomew's in Brockton, where he succeeded his brother, Rev. Leo Fink, as rector. This was in 1926 when Father Leo was promoted to rector of Sacred Heart Church, Allentown.

Father Fink had been a reporter on the staff of the Reading Herald and was employed as secretary of a law firm in Reading.

As chairman of the Organization and Extension Committee of the Schuylkill County Boy Scout Council in 1939, he was named special National Field Scout Commissioner. This was a tribute to his outstanding work in organizing numerous scouting units in Schuylkill County.

Eight years ago, the beloved priest donated 327 acres of woodland to the Blue Mountain Boy Scout Reservation near Wernersville, and requested that the property be named for Revolutionary War figures, Gen. Louis du Portail and George Meade.

He also served as chairman of the Scout Reservation Improvement Committee. The Mount Trexler Convalescent Home of Limeport was also a beneficiary of the priest, and received a set of electrical tower bells from him in 1963.

In addition to Rt. Rev. Msgr. Leo Gregory Fink, P.A., V.G. Allentown, he leaves another brother, Raymond J. Fink, of Boston, Mass., and a sister, Eda A. Fink, Pottsville.

Several nieces and nephews also survive, including Rev. Paul Bartholomew Fink, of Wilmington, Del.

Solemn Mass of requiem will be sung Friday at 11 a.m. following the Divine Office at 10:30 a.m. in St. Bartholomew's Church, Brockton.

Other details will be announced. Reilly Funeral Home, Pottsville, has charge.