



Msgr. Maurice Aspinwall, 94

DES MOINES - Monsignor
Maurice B. Aspinwall, former pastor

of St. Michael's Catholic Church, died Saturday, April 2, in Des Moines at age of 94. Born in Co. Bluffs on Feb. 1, 1894, Msgr. Aspinwall was ordained a priest in 1922. He was pastor of St. Michael's from 1924 to 1928. During his pastorate the church on 8th Street (now First Assembly of God) was constructed.

For 36 years - until his retirement in 1969 - Msgr. Aspinwall was pastor of St. Joseph's Church on Des Moines' east side. He was renowned for his eloquence as a preacher during the years of World War II.

The funeral Mass was at St. Joseph's Church on Tuesday, April 5, with the Most Rev. William Bullock, Bishop of Des Moines, serving as celebrant. Burial was at Glendale cemetery in Des Moines. Msgr. Aspinwall is survived by a sister, Sister Mary Maurcine Aspinwall, B.V.M., of Dubuque.