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## *Father Michael M Hogan*

Native of County Clare, Ireland

Priest of the Diocese of Sacramento

Administrator of Saint Paul Parish, Sacramento

August 28, 1886 - April 17, 1960

Michael M Hogan was born on August 28, 1886 in County Clare, Ireland. He completed his studies for the priesthood at All Hallows College, Dublin, Ireland and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Sacramento on June 25, 1911. In the fall of that year, he left his family and his native Ireland by ship and headed for New York City. After his arrival in New Your, he traveled by train across the heartland of America and arrived in Sacramento to begin his priestly ministry.

### **FIRST ASSIGNMENTS**

Bishop Thomas Grace, bishop of the Diocese of Sacramento, assigned Father Hogan to his first assignment as assistant to Father Patrick O'Reilly, pastor of Saint Canice Church in Nevada City.



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**Saint Canice Church, Nevada City**

His next assignments included Saint Bernard Church in Eureka, Humboldt County; Saint Patrick Church, Grass Valley, Nevada County; and Saint Rose Church, Roseville, Placer County.

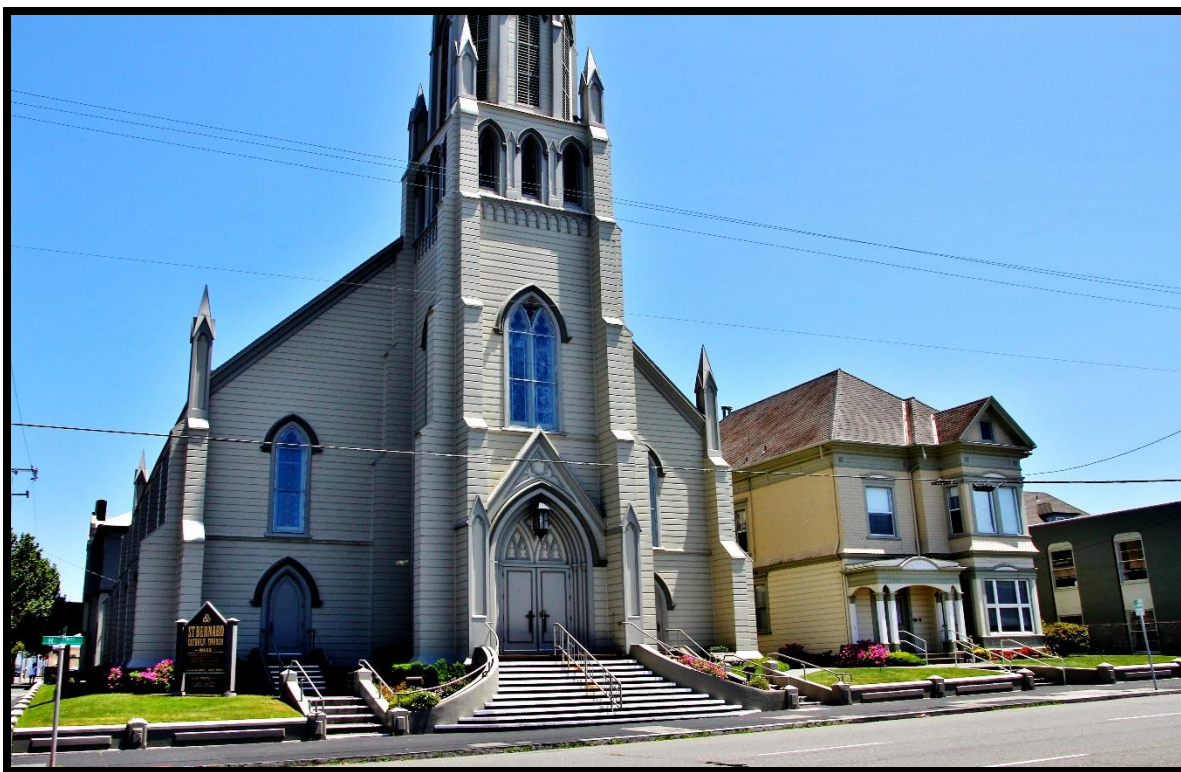


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**Saint Bernard Church, Eureka**

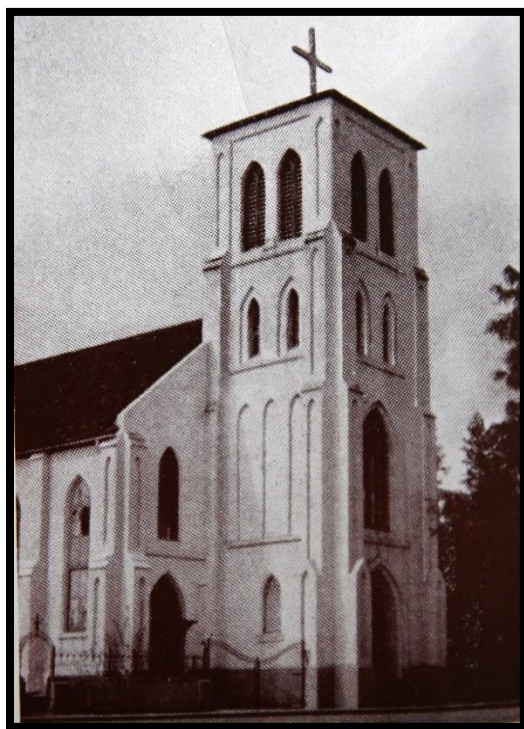


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**Saint Patrick Church, Grass Valley**



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**Saint Rose Church, Roseville**

## **PASTORATES**

Having served as assistant pastor in four parishes in three different counties of the diocese, he was appointment pastor of Saint John the Baptist Parish in Folsom, Sacramento County.



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**Original Saint John the Baptist Church, Folsom**

His next pastorates were Saint Joseph Parish in Yreka, Siskiyou County;

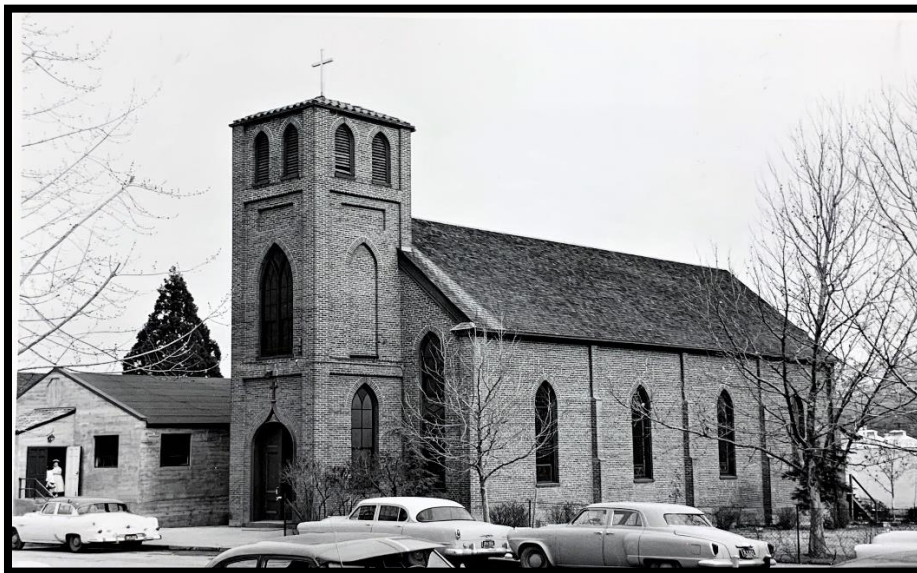


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**Saint Joseph Church, Yreka**

**Saint Christopher Parish, Galt, Sacramento County;**



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**Saint Christopher Church, Galt**

**Saint Patrick Parish, Angels Camp, Calaveras County**

**Saint Patrick Parish, Sonora, Tuolumne, County**



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**Saint Patrick Church, Sonora**

## LAST ASSIGNMENT

Father Hogan's began his last assignment in 1958 was as administrator of Saint Paul Church on Florin Road in South Sacramento. On Easter Sunday morning, April 17, 1960, Father Hogan did not show up for the 9 AM Mass. Parishioners when to the rectory and found him slumped in a chair but still alive. He was rushed by ambulance to Mercy Hospital but died on the way to the hospital. He was 73 years of age at the time of his death.



Photo from Diocesan Archives

**The Original Saint Paul Church on Florin Road**

## FUNERAL MASS FOR FATHER HOGAN



**Bishop Joseph T McGucken**

On Tuesday evening, April 19, 1960, the clergy of the diocese gathered in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacramento to pray the Office of the Dead and to commend Father Hogan to the loving mercy of God.

The next day, Wednesday, a Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated for Father Hogan in the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacramento. Monsignor Patrick Donnelly, pastor of Saint Bernard Parish in Eureka, was the celebrant of the Funeral Mass and Father Patrick McTague, pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in North Sacramento, was the homilist.

Serving as deacon at the Mass was Father Jeremiah Boland, pastor of Saint Patrick Parish, Grass Valley, and the sub-deacon was Father James Vaughn, pastor of Holy Family Parish in Weed. Father Thomas Boland, pastor of Saint Dominic Church in Orland, served as master of ceremonies. Bishop McGucken presided *Ad Coram* at the Mass and offered the prayers of commendation of Father Hogan to the Lord.

### **BURIAL**

After the Funeral Mass, the body of Father Hogan was taken in procession to the Priests' Section of Saint Mary Cemetery for the Rite of Committal. After the prayers were offered to the Lord, the mortal remains of Father Hogan were lowered into the grave to await the return of the Lord and the raising of the dead from their tombs.



Photo by John E Boll

**Headstone of Father Hogan, Saint Mary Cemetery, Sacramento**

### **FATHER HOGAN'S SURVIVING FAMILY**

Surviving Father Hogan were his brothers and sisters in County Clare, Ireland: Patrick and Timothy Hogan; Mrs Katy O'Rourke and Mrs Nora McCormack; five nieces and nephews in the United States including Sheila Hogan of Chicago who attended the funeral; and 18 nieces and nephews in Ireland.

### **IN MEMORIAM**

Beginning his ministry to the missions of California in the early years of the twentieth century, Father Michael Hogan left his native Ireland knowing he may never see his family or the land of his birth again. This must have been a moment of sadness for him and at the same time an

opportunity for great adventure as he headed west on the long journey to the missions of California to share the Gospel of Christ.

For the next 49 years, Father Hogan served ten parishes in the Diocese of Sacramento, extending from Eureka and Yreka in the north to Angels Camp and Sonora in the south. He completed his half century journey as a priest on Easter Sunday, April 17, 1960, while being rushed to Mercy Hospital by ambulance.

We thank him for his life of priestly service to the people of the God in the Diocese of Sacramento during the first half of the twentieth century.



*Lord,*

*Source of all life and goodness,  
Receive the soul of Father Michael Hogan,  
Your servant and priest,  
Who shared his life, energy and spirit  
To spread the Gospel of Christ Jesus  
To the ends of the earth.*

*May his soul and the souls of all  
The faithful departed through your mercy  
Rest now in your peace.*

*Amen*