



City of Cambridge

29.

IN CITY COUNCIL

February 12, 1996

COUNCILLOR REEVES
COUNCILLOR BORN
COUNCILLOR DAVIS
COUNCILLOR DUEHAY
COUNCILLOR GALLUCCIO
COUNCILLOR RUSSELL
COUNCILLOR SULLIVAN
COUNCILLOR TOOMEY
COUNCILLOR TRIANTAFILLOU

- WHEREAS: This City Council was deeply saddened at learning of the death of **Brother Paul Leo Chamberlain, M.M.** on February 2, 1996 at the age of ninety-two years of acute Leukemia; and
- WHEREAS: Paul was born in Dedham on July 7, 1903 to Anthony and Caroline Francoeur; and
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- WHEREAS: On March 1, 1936, Brother Paul was assigned to St. Francis Xavier Mission in Los Angeles and helped the Japanese people through the difficult years of World War II; and
- WHEREAS: Brother Paul spent six years at Maryknoll College and in 1968 served at Maryknoll Novitiate in Hingham and in Cambridge, until it closed, returning to the Maryknoll Center in New York; and
- WHEREAS: Brother Paul's passing will leave a void in the lives of all of his surviving friends and family, his sisters Virginia Chamberlain and Joan M. Bedard, his nieces and nephews and his grandnieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS: Brother Paul will be sorely missed by all he touched and loved; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That this City Council go on record extending its deepest sympathy to the family of **Brother Paul Leo Chamberlain** at this time of such personal loss; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk be and hereby is requested to forward a suitably engrossed copy of this resolution to the Chamberlain family on behalf of the entire City Council.

In City Council February 12, 1996
Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.
Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

A true copy;

ATTEST:-

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D. Margaret Drury".

D. Margaret Drury
City Clerk



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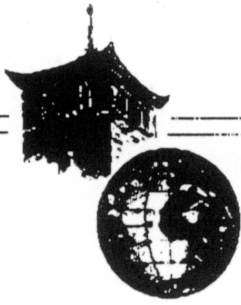
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Office of General Council

February 14, 1996

Donna Lopez
City Council of Ca
VIA FAX

Dear Ms. Lopez,

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Donna Lopez
City Council of Cambridge
VIA FAX

Dear Ms. Lopez,

Attached you will find a letter to Dottie Giacobbe and a biography of Maryknoll Brother Paul Chamberlain. I received a call this morning from our East Walpole House saying we should re-fax this to you. If you have any questions, please call us here at Maryknoll.

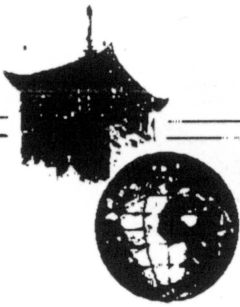
Again, as Bro. Wayne Fitzpatrick asks in his letter to Ms. Giacobbe, please let us know of the details so we can inform our other member, we would be very grateful for this. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Denise Schneider".

Denise Schneider
Secretary for
Bro. Wayne J. Fitzpatrick, M.M.

/dms
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February 7, 1996

Ms. Dottie Giacobbe
Secretary to City Council of Cambridge
VIA FAX

Dear Ms. Giacobbe,

I received word that the City of Cambridge would like to name a corner of Massachusetts Avenue and Bigalo Street after Bro. Paul Chamberlain. Attached you will find Bro. Paul's biography, as you requested.

We would like to inform the other Maryknoll members of this special honor for Bro. Paul. If you could call me at (914) 941-7590 x2403 or write to me at the above address with the details, it would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bro. Wayne J. Fitzpatrick".

Bro. Wayne J. Fitzpatrick, M.M.
Assistant General

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BROTHER PAUL LEO CHAMBERLAIN, M.M. 1903-1996



Brother Paul Chamberlain died at St. Teresa's Residence, Maryknoll, New York, at 6:05 P.M. on Friday, February 2, 1996. He died of acute leukemia. He was 92 years of age and a Maryknoll Brother for 69 years.

Paul Chamberlain was born on July 7, 1903, in Dedham, Massachusetts, son of Anthony and Caroline Francoeur Chamberlain. He attend 9 years of grade school in Dedham and 1 year of Boston Trade School. On the recommendation of his Pastor, he was encouraged by Father James Anthony Walsh to "make a trial" at the Society's Preparatory College (Venard) in Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania, in September 1925. In June 1926, he applied for entrance into the Foreign Mission Brothers of Saint Michael - the group that later became the Maryknoll Brothers - and took the religious name of Brother Paul. He took his Final Oath on November 1, 1931.

Brother Paul had great respect and affection for Bishop James Anthony Walsh. On April 6, 1936 Brother Paul wrote a letter to Bishop James Anthony Walsh who was in failing health. Brother Paul writes - "Accept this brief letter as a personal remembrance of you. Perhaps you are disappointed to find yourself unable to celebrate this Easter with all your faculties. I do believe that God is more pleased to accept the offerings which you give from your private sanctuary in bed. Please God help our Father General and give him a greater love for sacrifice." A few weeks later Brother Paul received a letter from Father Drought. Father Drought writes - "You will be happy to know that your letter of April 6 was read to dear Father General on the eve of his passing. He said "I am pleased to hear from Brother Paul and I am sorry that I cannot answer his letter personally - tell him that it is not so much in external cooperation in the work of the Church that God is glorified, as in the patient bearing of suffering: this is a gift which we should pray for frequently." Father Drought continues "I know that your recent visit to Father General will always be a precious memory."

Brother Paul was first assigned on March 1, 1936 to St. Francis Xavier Japanese Mission in Los Angeles and served the Japanese people there during the very difficult years of World War II. He spent six years at Maryknoll College, Lakewood, New Jersey and later completed assignments at Maryknoll Center in New York and Maryknoll Apostolic College (Venard), Clarks Summit, Pennsylvania. In 1968 he served at Maryknoll Novitiate, first in Hingham and then in Cambridge, Massachusetts until it was closed. In 1986 he returned to Maryknoll Center in New York where he continued to reside and work.

In his early years, Brother Paul developed his natural talent for carpentry through his own initiative and through the years became a master carpenter, providing immeasurable service to the Society in the various Houses where he was assigned.

During his years at Hingham and Cambridge, Massachusetts, Brother Paul became active in supporting various social causes by participating in fund-raising walks. In recent years at Maryknoll, New York, he had been a weekly Pro-Life demonstrator in Dobbs Ferry, New York.

Brother Paul considered his whole life as service in response to the Lord's call to serve Maryknoll and the Church. He looked on his service as a great experience of faith and hope for himself as a good and faithful servant. However, on June 1, 1995, he was given a Mission Cross in honor of his mission commitment, mission vocation and accomplishments. Brother Paul entered the Special Society Unit on July 15, 1979, with residence at Maryknoll, New York.

During his last days at St. Teresa's Residence he wrote a letter to all Maryknollers dated January 5, 1996. Brother Paul writes:

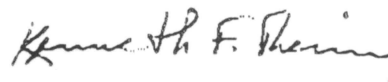
"Dear Maryknollers,

Farewell, may we meet in Heaven...let's keep trying as we are born to eternal life. Please sing that beautiful hymn "The Bread of Finest Wheat" then forget the long discourse concerning my life. My relatives may not attend but don't wonder why because I've visited them through the years and I know they admired what I always engaged in..I had a good life. Many thanks to Maryknoll who sponsored my special trip to the Holy Land and Rome. Most grateful for the medical care and even going to three Hospitals to be repaired for a few more miles. Bye now and God Bless all. Peace be with you - Paul of Maryknoll. Last but not least thank you for the Mission Cross."

Brother Paul is survived by two sisters: Virginia Chamberlain, O'Neil Way Apt 2A, Needham, MA 02026 and Joan M. Bedard, 7803 46th Ave. North, St. Petersburg, FL 33709 and several nieces and nephews as well as several grand-nieces and grand-nephews.

Wake Services were held on February 5, 1996 at St. Teresa's Residence Chapel at 7:00 p.m. and at the Queen of Apostles Chapel at the Maryknoll Center, New York, at 7:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial was concelebrated on February 6, 1996, in Queen of Apostles Chapel at 11:30 a.m. The Principal Celebrant was Father Kenneth Thesing and reflections were given by Brother Wayne J. Fitzpatrick. Interment followed at the Maryknoll Cemetery.

Each Maryknoll priest is requested to offer one Mass for the repose of the soul of Brother Paul; all Maryknollers are requested to remember him in their public and private prayers.



Rev. Kenneth F. Thesing, M.M.
Superior General



Bro. Wayne J. Fitzpatrick, M.M.
Secretary General

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C. Rees

City Clerk to prepare suitable resolutions
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Maryknoll Brother



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Entire mem. R-168
Consent Order #29

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