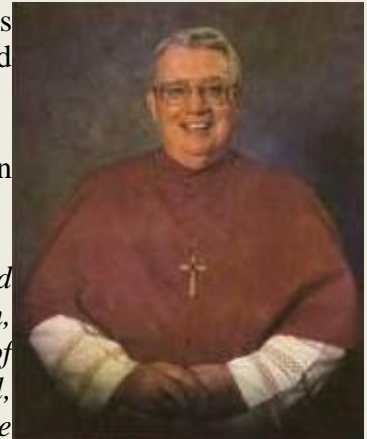


MAHONEY, Bishop James P.



Bishop Mahoney was the leader of Saskatoon's Catholics for 27 years and was fondly regarded by Catholics and non-Catholics alike. He died on March 2, 1995.

The following is taken from the "Order of Christian Burial Booklet" from his funeral:



"James Patrick, the son of Denis and Anna Mahoney, was born and educated in Saskatoon and attended St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario, prior to his ordination in 1952. During the first 15 years of his priesthood, Fr. James served pastorally at St. Paul's Cathedral, Delisle and Colonsay, taught at St. Paul's High School, and was the first principal of Holy Cross High School. At forty years of age he was ordained as the fourth bishop of the diocese of Saskatoon.



In his twenty-seven years as spiritual leader of the Catholics of the Saskatoon diocese, Bishop Mahoney undertook and supported a number of notable works, both in the Church and in the larger community - works involving Catholic education, ecumenism, vocations, spiritual formation of priests and laity, and social justice. Over the years, Bishop Mahoney's faith was a strong witness to the people of God in the Diocese of Saskatoon. His genuine love of people,

young and old, his insightfulness, his compassion, his warm and wonderful sense of humour have been gifts which enable those who saw and heard him to receive the deeper message - the Good News of Christ - which it was his mission to proclaim."