



## **Father Robert HOWARTH**

**(1910 - 1991)**

*Died 18 June 1991, in Barrhead (Scotland)  
aged 80, with 56 years of Religious Profession.*

Born in Blackburn into a strong Catholic family, he made his novitiate in France at Celles-sur-Belle. He was ordained at Rennes in 1940, and was one of the confreres who had to flee at the outbreak of war.

His first appointment was to Montfort College, Romsey, to teach. The following years were passed at Ashurst and Church Stretton, serving in the formation apostolate. During those years he was much sought after as a confessor. "The wee man", as he was called, had a strong attachment to the Montfortian family and a deep if simple devotion to the Blessed Virgin.

His latter years were spent at Barrhead where he did various tasks in parishes, convents and in the retreat house. However, it was here that his great gift as a confessor came into its own. Practically every priest in the diocese, including the Bishop, came to him.

The last few years left him with bad health but never took away his sense of humour or his deep and abiding charity. He was a much-loved and respected confrere and served the Congregation faithfully.

He died on Tuesday 18 June 1991 from a heart attack.

**MAY HE REST IN PEACE.**