

"I pray that having shared so deeply in Christ's sufferings he may now receive the unfading crown of glory which the Chief Shepherd reserves for those who have followed him faithfully to the end."

Saint Pope John Paul II, March 2000

"I felt that the whole Church could not but honor a man who has given witness by word and deed, through long suffering and trials, to what constitutes the essence of life in the Church"

Saint Pope John Paul II, July 1991

"It is fire that tests gold; tribulation that proves saints; trials endured for Christ's sake being virtue to a summit of perfection"

Saint Pope Paul VI, October 1974



**His Eminence
R. Cardinal Burke**

"At my consecration fifty years ago, I pledged my complete fidelity and obedience to His Holiness, Pope Pius XII in the presence of his Nuncio Archbishop Riberi. Today, I humbly renew this same pledge of total fidelity and obedience to Your Holiness, the Vicar of Christ on earth. I give thanks to God for my vocation as I observe my 70th Anniversary of Priesthood. In all my years as a priest, I have never ceased receiving happiness from Him, even in my most difficult days. Your Holiness, I am forever grateful for your fatherly affection. Twenty years ago, you raised me to the Sacred College of Cardinals from my Chinese dungeon. You held and nurtured me in your heart with prayers for twelve long years.... your face, your teaching and your words of encouragement will always remain in the heart of your 9 million children in China."

**Cardinal Kung to Saint Pope John Paul II
On his 70th Anniversary of Priesthood July 6, 1999**

**To Commemorate
The 20th Anniversary of the Death of**

Ignatius Cardinal Kung Pin-Mei

Bishop of Shanghai

We give thanks to
His heroic life and fidelity to Christ

We are honored that

His Eminence
Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke

Will offer a
Pontifical Requiem Mass
On Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 12 noon

At the Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist
279 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut USA

Rev. Msgr. Stephen M. DiGiovanni
Pastor

Nicholas Botkins
Basilica Choir Master & Organist
The Victoria Requiem à 6

Everyone is welcome to attend the Mass. Clergy attending the Mass please contact the Foundation. There will be a luncheon reception in the Msgr. Nagle Hall immediately after the Mass. Due to limited capacity, we welcome everyone to join the reception with **RESERVATION ONLY by Saturday, January 25, 2020.**

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