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HIS HOLINESS POPE PIUS XII

Quietly, peacefully, the greatest man in this generation, the man who devoted his life to peace, died today at Castel Gandolfo, in his eighty-second year, and in the twentieth year of his pontificate.

While nations waged wars great and small, Eugenio Maria Giuseppe Pacelli, as Pope Pius XII and Vicar of Christ, called repeatedly for peace, "a peace of justice and reality." So, tonight, across the world, good men mourn him and find it difficult to envisage the world without him.

Pictured above as he prayed before the altar in Sacred Heart Church here on the campus, October 25, 1936, (prior to a convocation in Washington Hall at which he accepted Notre Dame's honorary Doctor of Letters degree), the saintly scholar, envoy and prelate, less than three years later, ascended the Throne of the Fisherman, as Servant of the servants of God, Supreme Pontiff, Bishop of Rome, 262nd in the line of succession to the apostle St. Peter. May he rest in everlasting peace!