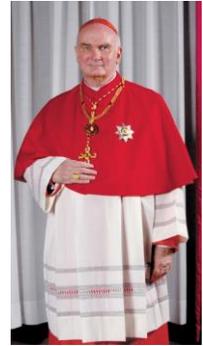


# Cardinal JOHN PATRICK FOLEY †

(1935-2011)



**Grand Master Emeritus of the**  
[Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem](#)

**Cardinal-Deacon of [San Sebastiano al Palatino](#)**

Date	Event	Title
11 Nov <a href="#">1935</a>	born	to John Edward and Regina (Vogt) Foley, in Darby, PA
1941-1949	student	Holy Spirit Elementary School
1953	graduated	from St. Joseph's Preparatory School
1957	B.A. History	from St. Joseph's University
1958	B.A. Philosophy	from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
23 Sep <a href="#">1961</a>	ordained	<b>Deacon</b> , for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
19 May <a href="#">1962</a>	ordained	<b>Priest</b> , of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia – by John Cardinal Krol
1962-1963	appointed	assistant pastor, Sacred Heart, Manoa, Havertown
1963-1965	appointed	assistant editor, Catholic Standard & Times graduate studies, Rome
1964	Ph.L.	from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (“Angelicum”)
1965	Ph.D.	from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (“Angelicum”) dissertation: <a href="#">Natural law, natural right and the "Warren Court": a study of recent decisions of the Supreme Court of the USA</a>
1966	M.S. Journalism	from Columbia University
1966	appointed	assistant pastor, St. John the Evangelist, Philadelphia faculty, Cardinal Dougherty High School
1967	appointed	assistant editor, Catholic Standard & Times
1967-1984	appointed	philosophy faculty, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary
1968-1983	served as	board member, National Conference of Christians and Jews
1969-1984	served as	news secretary, National Conference of U.S. Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
1970-1984	appointed	editor, Catholic Standard & Times
18 Jan 1976	named	<b>Monsignor</b> , Prelate of Honor of His Holiness
1979-1984	served as	vice-chairman, Pennsylvania State Ethics Commission
1979	served as	press liaison, visit of Pope John Paul II to Ireland and the U.S.A.

1980	served as	press liaison, International Synod of Bishops (Rome)
1981-1984	served as	board member, Catholic Press Association of the U.S. and Canada
5 Apr <a href="#">1984</a>	appointed	President of the Pontifical Council for <a href="#">Social Communications</a> Titular Archbishop of <a href="#">Neapolis in Proconsulari</a>
8 May <a href="#">1984</a>	ordained	<b>Bishop</b> , by John Cardinal Krol; co-consecrators: Martin Lohmuller and Thomas Welsh
1984-1989	also served as	President, administrative council of the Vatican Television Center Member, Pontifical Commission for Latin America
2 Apr <a href="#">2005</a>	ceased	President of the Pontifical Council for <a href="#">Social Communications</a>
21 Apr <a href="#">2005</a>	confirmed	President of the Pontifical Council for <a href="#">Social Communications</a>
27 Jun <a href="#">2007</a>	appointed	Pro-Grand Master of the <a href="#">Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem</a>
24 Nov <a href="#">2007</a>	elevated appointed	to <b>Cardinal</b> , by Pope Benedict XVI Cardinal-Deacon of <a href="#">San Sebastiano al Palatino</a>
27 Nov <a href="#">2007</a>	installed	Cardinal-Deacon of <a href="#">San Sebastiano al Palatino</a>
22 Dec <a href="#">2007</a>	appointed	Grand Master of the <a href="#">Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem</a>
2008	appointed	Member, Congregation for Divine Worship & the Discipline of the Sacraments Member, Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples
29 Aug <a href="#">2011</a>	retired	Grand Master of the <a href="#">Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem</a>
11 Dec <a href="#">2011</a>	died	Grand Master Emeritus, <a href="#">Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem</a>
16 Dec 2011	funeral / burial	cathedral-basilica of SS. Peter & Paul (Philadelphia)

## AWARDS

- 1984 - St. Francis de Sales Award from the Catholic Press Association
- 1985 - Journalism Alumni Award of Columbia University, New York
- 1990 - Sourin Award of the Catholic Philopatrian Literary Institute of Philadelphia
- 1996 - President's Medal of Holy Family College, Philadelphia
- 1997 - Barry Award of the American Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia
- 1997 - Shield of Loyola Award of St. Joseph's University
- 2008 (4/10) - only the fifth person in the 59-year history of the Christopher Awards to receive the **Christopher Leadership Award**, which recognizes individuals who have set a leadership example in the fields of media, church or government.
- 2009 – Holy Land Christian Ecumenical Foundation **Living Stones Solidarity Award** on behalf of the Equestrian Order of the Knights of the Holy Sepulchre

- 2011 (4/14) – service award from Catholic Philopatrian Literary Institute of Philadelphia
- 2011 (6/24) - Gabriel Award for lifetime achievement from the Catholic Academy of Communication Arts Professionals
- 2011 (10/25) – Telecare - The Best in Catholic Television®, Award of Excellence, Religious Leader
- 2011 (11/18) – [Broadcast Pioneers Person of the Year](#)
- 2012 - Paul VI award for Catechetics

### **Honorary Doctoral Degrees**

- St. Joseph's University, Philadelphia (1985);
- Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales (1990);
- The Catholic University of America, Washington (1996);
- Assumption College, Worcester (1997);
- Regis University, Denver (1998);
- John Cabot University, Rome (1998);
- University of Portland (2007);
- Franciscan University of Steubenville (2010);
- [Bethlehem University](#) (2011)

### **Recognitions**

- 1991 – Knight Commander with Grand Cross, Order of the Northern Star, Kingdom of Sweden
- 1991 – Knight Commander with Grand Cross, Order of the Holy Sepulchre
- 1996 – Commander with Grand Cross, Order of Bernardo O’Higgins, Republic of Chile
- 2002 – Chaplain with Grand Cross, Sovereign Military Order of Malta
- 2003 – Commander with Grand Cross, Order of Libertador General San Martin, Republic of Argentina
- 2010 – Bailiff with Grand Cross of Honor and Devotion, Sovereign Military Order of Malta