

## **The Rev. Anthony Gamble**

The Reverend Anthony Gamble, C.F.P.S., 93, of St. Charles Center in Carthage died at 3 a.m. on Sunday, April 8, 2007, at Community Hospital, in Coldwater, of complications following surgery.

Born Sept. 12, 1913, in Auburn, N.Y., to Earl and Louis (Vatter) Gamble. He entered the Community in 1932 and was ordained in 1942.

The Reverend had a variety of ministries in his first years as a priest, including as an assistant pastor at a number of parishes in the Midwest, hospital chaplain and assistant librarian at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind. As a member of the Province of the Pacific, he ministered at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital in Santa Rosa, Calif., as a chaplain in the 1960s and 1970s. He was the associate pastor and later the pastor of St. Francis of Assisi Church in East Palo Alto, Calif., from 1968-1972.

The Reverend was elected as the first provincial secretary of the Province of the Pacific in 1965 and later served a second term in that position beginning in 1984. During that time, he was the editor of the province's newsletter and its archivist.

In 1990, he retired to St. Charles Center. He remained a man of faith until his final days, even making himself available to minister to his fellow priests and brothers and was often called upon to administer the anointing of the sick when they fell ill.

Gamble is survived by a sister and brother-in-law, Ted and Molly Teckman of Sheffield; five nieces and two nephews, including Tom Teckman of St. Marys, who took care of his affairs in his later years, and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews.

A brother, Richard and his wife, Gertrude, preceded him.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, April 12, at St. Charles, with the Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.F.P.S., officiating. Burial will follow in the Community cemetery.

Hogenkamp and Sons Funeral Home in Coldwater was in charge of arrangements.