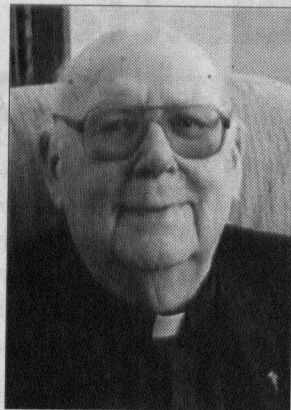


Rev. Francis Kinney

The Rev. Francis Kinney, C.P.P.S., 86, died on Saturday, Feb. 9, 2008, at 8:15 p.m., in the infirmary of St. Charles Center, Carthagen. He had been in failing health for some time.



Kinney was born Nov. 8, 1921, in Ironton, to Francis and Norma (Eberfeld) Kinney. He entered the Community on Sept. 1, 1943, and was ordained on May 15, 1947.

Kinney spent his life as a priest in education and in parish ministry.

After his ordination, he became a member of the staff of Brunnerdale, a high school seminary formerly administered by the Community in Canton. There, he was an instructor and later vice rector, principal and rector.

In 1957, Kinney was named the first principal of Central Catholic High School in Lafayette, Ind., a position he held until 1960 when he returned to Brunnerdale.

In 1965, he received a new assignment, as dean of the Calumet, Ind., campus of St. Joseph's College (later the Calumet College of St. Joseph).

Kinney entered a new ministry in 1983 when he became pastor of St. Mary of Pine Grove, near his hometown of Ironton. He served there until he retired to St. Charles last May.

He is survived by sisters, Sr. Jean Kinney, OP, of Scotia, N.Y.; Marcia Hock of Vandalia and Henrietta Hanifin, of Ironton, as well as four nephews and numerous great-nieces and great nephews.

He is preceded in death by brothers-in-law, Robert Hock and Charles Hanifin, and one nephew, Chris Hock.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held Thursday, Feb. 14, at 2 p.m., at St. Charles, with the Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S., presiding.

Hogenkamp Funeral Home in Coldwater handled the arrangements.