

OBITUARY
REV. FRANCIS J. KICHAK, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Francis Kichak, C.S.Sp., 85 of Bethel Park, a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit died Monday, January 14, 2013.

Father Kichak was born September 7, 1927 in Philadelphia PA. He professed his vows to the Religious Life August 22, 1945 at Holy Ghost Novitiate, Ridgefield CT and was ordained to the priesthood March 26, 1954 at St. Mary Seminary, Ferndale, Norwalk CT.

Following his Ordination to the Priesthood in 1954 Father Kichak was assigned Assistant Pastor at Holy Ghost Church, Opelousas LA until 1958 and again (1961-1966). Between 1958 and 1960 he was the Assistant National Director of the Holy Childhood Association in Pittsburgh PA. Other assignments included the missions of Puerto Rico (1966-1973), Director of Vocation work for the former US-East Province and for Puerto Rico (1973-76). He was assigned to various missions in Mexico doing ministry in El Pujal, San Luis Potosi, San Antonio, Tancanhuitz, Ciudad Valles and Coxcatlan from 1976 until his return to the States in 2008. He obtained retirement status in 2008 and was in residence at Spiritan Retirement homes in Hemet CA and later Bethel Park PA

Fr. Kichak is survived by his brother, Charles Kichak, and many friends in the U.S., Puerto Rico and Mexico.

There will be viewing in the chapel of The Spiritan Center, 6230 Brush Run Road, Bethel Park Monday, January 21 at 9:00 AM followed by Mass of Resurrection at 10:30. Burial will take place in St. Mary's Cemetery, O'Hara Twp., Pittsburgh PA.

In memory of Fr. Kichak donations may be made to the Spiritans designated for retirement or for the education of future Holy Spirit Fathers, 6230 Brush Run Road, Bethel Park PA 15102.