

REV. ROBERT E. SPANGENBERG, C.S.Sp.

Fr. Robert Spangenberg died peacefully Saturday, December 23, 2006. He was 59 years old.

Father Spangenberg was born August 8, 1947 in Pittsburgh PA. He professed his vows August 22, 1966 at Holy Ghost Novitiate, Ridgefield CT and was ordained to the Priesthood June 15, 1974 in the chapel at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh.

Father was first assigned to the faculty at Holy Ghost Prep School, Bensalem (1974). He was Associate Pastor at St. Mary's, Detroit and then St. Anthony's Millvale until 1977 when he ministered in North Carolina. He was Assistant pastor at St. Mary's Parish, Sharpsburg (1979-1980) and then was assigned teacher/chaplain at St. Francis de Sales High School in Chicago. He was Pastor at St. Stanislaus Parish, Pittsburgh while serving the Congregation as Director of Vocations 1982-1984 and Pastor of St. Anthony's Parish, Millvale 1984-1989. Other assignments included Superior of the Congregation's retirement home in Sarasota FL 1989-1990, Pastor, St. Patrick's Church, Charleston SC 1990-1993, Administrator of St. Peter Claver Church, Philadelphia 1993, Pastor of St. James Parish, Hamlet NC 1994, Pastor of Epiphany Parish, Pittsburgh 1997 and Director of the Retirement Community in Sarasota 2002. He retired from active ministry for reasons of health in 2003.

Fr. Spangenberg was preceded in death by his parents Wilbert and Beatrice (Mahoney) Spangenberg, his brother William and sister Regina. He is survived by his siblings Isabel Spangenberg, Rev. George J. Spangenberg, C.S.Sp., Joann Spangenberg, Arthur and wife Linda Spangenberg, Roger Spangenberg, Emily and husband Kevin Skrbn, four nieces and 2 nephews.

There will be viewing at Holy Spirit Church, 608 Farragut Street, Millvale PA from 9-11 AM Friday December 29 followed by the funeral Mass.

In memory of Fr. Spangenberg 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.