

CATHOLIC  
DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR

April 10, 2018

Dear Fathers, Deacons, Parish Directors, Parish Life Coordinators, and Sisters,

REV. LEONARD W. FRAHER, age 91, passed away, Monday, April 9, 2018, at Deerfield Gables in New Richmond, Wisconsin. FATHER LEONARD was born on September 6, 1926, to James and Elizabeth (Lundy) Fraher, in Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

Funeral Arrangements for FR. LEONARD include visitation at Cullen Crea Funeral Home, 307 South Arch Avenue, New Richmond, WI 54017, on Sunday, April 15, 2018, from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. and on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at Immaculate Conception Church, 151 South Washington Avenue, New Richmond, WI 54017. Bishop James Powers will preside with the priests of the Diocese of Superior con-celebrating. Burial will be at St. Bridget Cemetery, Wilson, WI. The following link includes FR. LEONARD'S obituary from Cullen Crea Funeral Home, <http://cullencreafuneralhome.com/father-leonard-fraher/>

FR. LEONARD was preceded in death by his parents James and Elizabeth (Lundy) Fraher. FR. LEONARD was an only child, went to public grade school and Glenwood City High School. His college years included Nazareth Hall Preparatory Seminary, St. Paul, MN, St. Francis Major Seminary, Milwaukee, WI (Philosophy) and St. Paul Major Seminary, St. Paul, MN (Theology) where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree.

FR. LEONARD was ordained to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood on May 26, 1956, at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Superior, by Bishop Joseph Annabring. His parochial and *diocesan* appointments include:

June 1956	Temp. Assistant at St. Joseph Church, Rhinelander
February 1959	<i>Apostolate for Vocations Regional Director in the Tomahawk Deanery</i>
June 1961	Assistant St. Joseph Church, Rice Lake
September 1961	Assistant St. Joseph Church, Merrill
December 1962	<i>Instructor for theology for Sisters of St. Francis motherhouse, Rice Lake</i>
June 1963	Administrator of St. John, Clear Lake Administrator of St. Bridget, Stanton
March 1964	<i>Assistant Vocation Director, Polk County</i>
May 1964	<i>Moderator of the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, Hudson Deanery</i>
March 1965	<i>Reappointed Assistant Vocational Director</i>
March 1966	<i>Reappointed Assistant Vocational Director</i>
September 1967	<i>Reappointed Assistant Vocational Director</i>
October 1968	Pastor, St. John Church, Clear Lake Pastor, St. Bridget Church, Stanton

June 1969 Pastor, St. Pius X Church, Solon Springs  
 Pastor, St. Anthony Church, Gordon  
 Pastor, St. Mary Church, Minong

*April 1975 Pro-Synodal Examiner of the Diocese*

*December 1976 Building Committee Region I*

July 1980 Pastor, St. Anthony Church, Cumberland

*July 1980 Continue on Building Committee Region I*

*July 1981 Appointed Chaplain KC Council #6051, Cumberland*

*August 1982 Reappointed Chaplain KC Council #6051, Cumberland*

*July 1985 Reappointed Chaplain KC Council #6051, Cumberland*

*October 1985 Appointed Pastoral Consultor*

AUGUST 1996 RETIRED

February 1999 Temporary Parochial Administrator, Immaculate Conception Church, Hammond  
 Temporary Parochial Administrator, St. John the Baptist Church, Glenwood City  
 Temporary Parochial Administrator, St. Patrick Church, Erin Prairie  
 Temporary Parochial Administrator, St. Bridget Church, Wilson

June 1999 Reappointed Temporary Parochial Administrator of four parishes above.

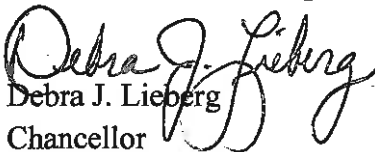
September 2004 Temporary Parochial Administrator, Immaculate Conception Church, New Richmond  
 Temporary Parochial Administrator, St. Patrick Church, Erin Prairie

Please keep FR. LEONARD and his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

*Eternal rest grant unto FR. LEONARD FRAHER, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.  
 May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Members of the Purgatorial Society are asked to please offer the customary three Masses for the repose of the soul of REV. LEONARD W. FRAHER.

Peace & Easter blessings,

  
 Debra J. Lieberg  
 Chancellor  
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