

July 14, 1997

Father James Hinton, CPPS



Father Hinton was born Nov. 18, 1917, in McQuady, Ky. He was incorporated with the Society of the Precious Blood on Dec. 8, 1939. He was ordained Dec. 5, 1943, by the Most Rev. John T. McNicholas, O.P., archbishop of Cincinnati, at St. Charles Seminary in Carthagena, Ohio.

His assignments for 23 years were faculty posts and chaplaincies. He was an instructor in the English department at St. Joseph College, Rensselaer, Ind., and Brunnerdale Seminary, Canton, Ohio. He served as chaplain to the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in La Crosse, Wisc., and later was a chaplain and instructor at Viterbo College there. In 1967, he was appointed parochial vicar at St. Anthony, Park Falls, Wisc.

Father Hinton was appointed to his first pastorate at St. Raphael, Syracuse in 1968. He also served the mission of St. Bernadette, Johnson. During his pastorate a parish hall and catechetical center were constructed in Johnson (1970). The parish provided summer day care for the children of migrant workers in the parish hall in the early 1970s. In the final year of Father Hinton's pastorate (1973), a Verdin bell system was added to the Syracuse church.

His remaining pastoral assignments took him to St. Joseph, Georgetown, Wisc., and St. John the Baptist, Rib Lake, Wisc. He retired from active ministry in 1991.

Father Hinton returned to Kentucky where he made himself available for substitute work. When his health declined in 1993, he took up residence at St. Charles Center. He died July 14, 1997. The funeral and burial were at St. Charles Seminary in Carthagena, Ohio.