

June 18, 1992

Father Richard Schinstock



Father Schinstock was born Oct. 17, 1924 in Kinsley. He attended St. Nicholas School there. He was ordained May 29, 1954, by Bishop Franz at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Dodge City.

He served as assistant pastor at St. Anthony, Fowler, (July 1954); St. Patrick, Great Bend, (1954-55) and Sacred Heart Cathedral, (1955-58).

His pastorates included: St. Aloysius, Ransom, with the mission of St. Ignatius, Nonchalanta, (1958-61); St. Helen, Hugoton, with the mission of St. Timothy, Satanta, (1961-65); St. Joseph, Offerle, with St. Mary, Hodgeman County, (1965-69); St. Anthony, Liberal, (1969-75); St. Michael, La Crosse, (1976-80); St. Boniface, Sharon, (1980-89), and St. Lawrence, Jetmore, with St. Anthony, Hanston, and Holy Rosary, Burdett, (1989-92).

In addition to his pastoral duties, Father Schinstock served as spiritual director of the Garden City Curia of the Legion of Mary (1963); spiritual moderator of the Larned Deanery Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (1968-69); State Chaplain for the Daughters of Isabella (1968-69), and Diocesan Moderator for the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (1970-92). He also served the diocese as a member of the Diocesan School Board, Regional Family Life Director, and as a member of the Clergy Council.

Father Schinstock died in his sleep June 18, 1992, at the Spiritual Life Center in Wichita where the priests had gathered for the annual clergy retreat. Bishop Schlarman celebrated the funeral Mass at St. Nicholas Church, Kinsley. Burial was in the parish cemetery.

A sibling, Sister Francesca, was a Dominican.