

**January 16, 2000**

**Father Emil Schneweis, OFM Cap**



Father Emil was born Jan. 24, 1912, and is a vocation from Holy Family Parish, Odin. He was invested as a Capuchin July 22, 1931; made first profession in 1932, and perpetual profession in 1935. He was ordained by the Most Rev. William Griffin, auxiliary bishop of La Crosse, June 26, 1938 at St. Mary Church, Marathon, Wisc.

After graduate studies in theology at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., Father Emil served as professor of Theology at St. Anthony Seminary at Marathon from 1941 to 1952.

He was professor of Mathematics and Religion at St. Lawrence Seminary, Mt. Calvary, Wisc., from 1952 to 1972. During this same time he served his order as vicar of the community and procurator (1958-59); prefect (1959-63); vice rector of the seminary (1962-63); vicar of the community (1964), and provincial definitior (1967-70).

He was counselor and confessor at St. Bonaventure Friary in Detroit (1972-73), and development director at St. Lawrence Seminary, Mt. Calvary from 1973 to 1981.

He served briefly in parish ministry at St. Patrick's at St. Paul, Minn., (1981-82), before his last assignment as chaplain at St. Francis Home in Fond du Lac, Wisc., from 1982 to 1995.

He retired to St. Lawrence Friary in 1996 and later became a resident at St. Francis Home. He died Jan. 16, 2000, at the age of 87.

Father Daniel Fox, provincial, celebrated the funeral Mass at the seminary chapel at Mount Calvary. Burial was in the Friary Cemetery. A memorial Mass was celebrated at Holy Family Church in Odin on Feb. 6, 2000.