

December 1, 1991

Father Leo Weigel, CPPS



Father Weigel was born Feb. 14, 1901, in Ellis. He was incorporated into the Society of the Precious Blood at St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind., on Dec. 3, 1923.

He was ordained May 14, 1931, by the Most Rev. Joseph Albers, auxiliary bishop of Cincinnati, at St. Charles Seminary, Carthagena, Ohio.

From 1931 to 1943, he served as a parochial vicar in the following Ohio parishes: St. John, Glandorf; Holy Angels, Sidney; Holy Rosary, Dayton; and Sts. Peter and Paul, Reading; and St. Anthony, Detroit, Mich.

Father Weigel served as an Army chaplain during World War II (1943-46). His assignments after the war took him to four states. He was pastor at St. Joseph, Amery, Wisc., (1947-55) and founding pastor at St. Gaspar, Rome City, Ind., (1947-56).

In the Dodge City diocese, Father Leo served as chaplain at St. Rose Hospital, Great Bend (1956-60).

He became pastor of St. James, Maine, Minn., in 1960; and in 1962 served as pastor of St. Joseph, Rush Lake, while acting as chaplain of Perham Memorial Hospital in Perham, Minnesota.

In 1966 he moved to Tomahawk, Wisc., where he was chaplain at Sacred Heart Hospital until he retired in 1976. He went to St. Joseph, Killdeer, N. Dak., to serve for a short time in 1977 while the pastor was on sick leave.

Father Weigel died Dec. 1, 1991, at St. Charles following a short illness. Father Thomas Albers, provincial of Kansas City, was the main celebrant at the funeral Mass. Burial was in the community cemetery at Carthagena.

His sister was Sister M. Herman Joseph, C.S.A.