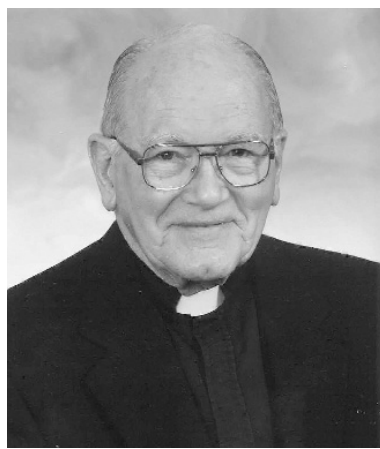


Rev. Richard Bonin to celebrate 60 years of priestly ministry



Rev. Bonin

Reverend Richard G. Bonin will celebrate his 60th anniversary to the priesthood with a Mass celebrated with Bishop John C. Nienstedt on August 13, 2006, 9:30 a.m. at the Church of St. Francis de Sales,

Winthrop, followed by lunch and a reception.

Fr. Bonin was born October 25, 1921 in Minneapolis and lived next door to the Ascension Church in North Minneapolis where he resided until his first pastorate in Granite Falls, MN. He was ordained for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul on June 8, 1946 at the Cathedral of Saint Paul by Archbishop John Gregory Murray.

Following his ordination his assignments included: Ascension Church, Minneapolis and in 1956, St. Andrew, Granite Falls and St. James, Dawson. In November of 1957, when the Diocese of New Ulm was formed, he continued to serve St. Peter, Eden Valley; St.

George, Glencoe; Holy Redeemer, Marshall; St. Peter, St. Peter; St. Michael, Gaylord; St. Francis de Sales, Winthrop. On June 19, 2002 he retired from active ministry to live at the Leo C. Byrne Residence in Saint Paul, MN for retired priests where he is on call for replacement weekend and week day replacement services.

Fr. Bonin will also celebrate a jubilee anniversary Mass at the Ascension Church, 1723 Bryant Avenue North, Minneapolis on July 30 at 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome to attend these celebrations.