

CATHOLIC
DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR

January 23, 2019

Dear Fathers, Deacons, Parish Directors, Lay Leaders/Business Administrators, Sisters and Staff,

REVEREND JOSEPH CASIMIR TRINKA, age 87, died Wednesday, January 23, 2019, at Amery Memory Care Unit, Amery, Wisconsin.

Funeral arrangements for FATHER TRINKA include visitation at St. John Church, 811 4th Street, Clear Lake, on Sunday, January 27, 2019, from 5 – 7 p.m. and on Monday, January 28, 2019, at 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. John Church, Clear Lake. Bishop James Powers will preside with the priests of the Diocese of Superior con-celebrating. Burial will be in Boston, Massachusetts.

REV. JOSEPH C. TRINKA was born on August 11, 1931, to Joseph and Veronica (Serafinas) Trinka in Cambridge, Massachusetts. He and his sister were their only children. FR. TRINKA attended public grade school and graduated from high school at St. Francis Xavier Mission Seminary, Island Creek, Massachusetts, which was under the direction of the Divine Word Fathers. His decision to become a priest of the Diocese of Superior rather than a religious order priest, presented some problems due to the seminaries being at full capacity. FR. TRINKA attended seminary at St. Paul's Seminary, Epworth, Iowa, St. Mary's Seminary, Techy, Illinois, and Our Lady of the Angels Seminary, Niagra University, New York.

May 7, 1959 Ordained to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood
 St. Peter Lithuanian Church, South Boston, Massachusetts
 by Bishop Eric F. MacKenzie

PAROCHIAL AND DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS

August 21, 1959 Assistant Pastor of Holy Rosary Church, Medford
March 12, 1965 Assistant Vocation Director for Taylor County
March 1, 1966 Temporary Administrator of Holy Rosary Church, Medford
April 20, 1966 Assistant Pastor of Immaculate Conception Church, Rhinelander and St.
 John Mission, Pelican Lake and St. James Mission, Monico
September 12, 1967 Assistant Vocation Director for Oneida County
August 29, 1968 Pastor of St. John the Evangelist Church, Birchwood; St. Mary Church,
 Exeland; and St. Ann Church, Murry
July 15, 1969 Moderator for the Diocesan Councils of Catholic Men and Women for the
 Rice Lake Deanery
January 10, 1979 Pastor of St. Patrick Church, Centuria and Our Lady of the Pines Church,
 Balsam Lake

June 26, 1990 Pastor of St. Joseph Church, Barron and St. Peter Church, Cameron
September 11, 1990 Chaplain for Knights of Columbus Council #7022, Barron
December 29, 1993 Temporary Administrator of St. Boniface Church, Chetek while
maintaining position as pastor of the parishes of St. Joseph, Barron and St.
Peter, Cameron
June 21, 1994 Pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, Clear Lake and St. Bridget Church,
Stanton
September 15, 2002 Pastor of St. John the Baptist Church, Clear Lake
May 31, 2008 Retired due to physical limitations

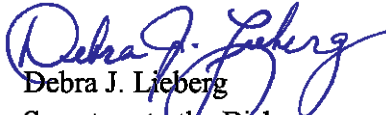
Please keep FR. TRINKA and his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. Richard and Janice Traynor were his very close friends as well as his personal representatives.

RICHARD AND JANICE TRAYNOR
1756 75TH AVENUE
OSCEOLA, WI 54020

*Eternal rest grant unto FR. JOSEPH TRINKA, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Members of the Purgatorial Society are asked to please offer the customary three Masses for the repose of the soul of REV. JOSEPH C. TRINKA.

Sincerely yours in Christ,


Debra J. Lieberg
Secretary to the Bishop
Chancellor