



*Happy are those who have died in the Lord;
let them rest from their labors for their good deeds go with them.
(Rev. 14:13)*

March 29, 2006

Dear Brothers in Christ:

Father Aloysius (Arnold) Blonigen, CMM, died March 27, 2006. He was 70 years old. May he be at peace with the Lord he loved so well.

Father Blonigen was born in St. Martin, Minnesota, on April 6, 1935. He entered St. Bernard Seminary, Dearborn Heights, in 1955 and was ordained on June 5, 1965. He last served as Director of the Marianhill Retreat Center.

Father Blonigen is survived by brothers, Gerald and Victor; sisters, Cecilia Bentler, Janette Clancy, Evelyn Guggsiberg and Verna Loehlein; and a sister-in-law, Viola Blonigen.

He will be waked at Stanley Turowski & Son Funeral Home, 25509 Warren, Dearborn Heights, (313) 562-5120. Visitation will be on Thursday, March 30, from 4 to 8 p.m., with a scripture service at 7 p.m., and will continue on Friday, March 31, from 2 to 8 p.m., with a Rosary at 7 p.m.

Father Blonigen will lie in state on Saturday, April 1, at Our Lady of Grace Parish, 8679 Riverview, Dearborn Heights, beginning at 9:45 a.m., until the celebration of his funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. Burial will take place at St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Condolences may be sent to the Marianhill Mission Society, 23715 Ann Arbor Trail, Dearborn Heights, Michigan 48127.

Kindly remember Father Blonigen and his family in your prayers.

In the Lord,

Very Reverend Thomas Heier, CMM
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