



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

July 12, 2006

Dear Father:

Our brother and fellow priest, Monsignor Vincent J. Horkan, entered eternal life on July 11, 2006 at the age of 90.

Monsignor Horkan was born on December 12, 1915 in Lancashire, England, and ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Detroit on June 7, 1941. His many assignments included serving as administrator at St. Paul, Grosse Pointe, St. Joan of Arc, St. Clair Shores, and St. Angela, Roseville; as associate and superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Detroit; as Vicar of the Southwest Vicariate; and as assistant chaplain at St. Mary's Academy, Monroe.

He also served as associate pastor at St. Albert the Great, Dearborn Heights, St. Paul on the Lake, Grosse Pointe Farms, and St. Valentine, Redford. In addition, he served as pastor of St. Norbert, Inkster, St. Martha, Dearborn, St. Gerard, Detroit, St. Rita, Holly, and St. Genevieve, Livonia, as well as teaching at Madonna College.

Monsignor Horkan will be waked at the Ted Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi, (248-348-1800). Visitation will be on Friday, July 14, from 2 to 8 p.m. His body will lie in state at St. Clement Parish, 5275 Kenilworth, Dearborn, on Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m. until the celebration of his funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Monsignor Horkan is survived by a nephew, Charles Horkan. Condolences may be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horkan, 10732 Rochester Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024.

Kindly include in the general intercessions of your weekend liturgies a prayer for the repose of the soul of Monsignor Horkan. Keep him in your prayers and include him in the Masses celebrated in accord with our revised Mass Pact.

Fraternally yours in the Lord,

**Adam Cardinal Maida
Archbishop of Detroit**