



**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)

January 27, 2009

Dear Father:

Our brother and fellow priest, Father Paul Berg, entered eternal life on Monday, January 26, at the age of 87.

Father Berg was born on October 26, 1921 in Detroit, and ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Detroit on May 22, 1948. For many years, he taught philosophy and served as a basketball coach at Sacred Heart Major Seminary.

Father Berg's many assignments included serving as weekend assistant at Mother of Our Savior Parish, Detroit; Our Lady of Loretto Parish, Redford; St. Benedict Parish, Highland Park; St. Hugo of the Hills Parish, Bloomfield Hills; St. Kenneth Parish, Plymouth; St. Rita Parish, Detroit; and Cardinal Leger Community Parish, Detroit.

In addition, Father Berg served as associate pastor at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Detroit; St. Patrick and St. Aloysius Parishes, both in Detroit; and as administrator at St. Paul Albanian Parish, Rochester Hills.

A. J. Desmond & Sons Funeral Home (248-549-0500) is handling the arrangements. Father Berg will be waked at St. Kenneth Parish, 14591 Haggerty Road, Plymouth (734-420-0288). Visitation will take place on Wednesday, January 28, from 2 until 8 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Father Berg's body will be received at 10 a.m., Thursday, January 29, at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, 2701 Chicago Boulevard, Detroit. Visitation will take place from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m.

Father Berg's body will lie in state at Sacred Heart Major Seminary on Friday, January 30, from 9 a.m. until the celebration of his funeral Mass at 11 a.m. Burial will take place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

Father Berg is survived by his sister, Sister Barbara Berg, IHM; sister-in-law, Betsy Berg-Jachman; nephews, John (Patricia), Paul (Susan), and James and their children.

Condolences may be sent to Sister Barbara Berg, IHM, 15603 Northline Road, Southgate, 48195.

Kindly include in the general intercessions of your weekend liturgies a prayer for the repose of the soul of Father Berg. 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
Apostolic Administrator