Father John F. Garvey, S.J.

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Father John F. Garvey, S.J., an editor of Jesuits magazine and a publications officer for the Jesuits, died Oct. 19 in Lenox Hill Hospital, Manhattan. He was 67.

He also served at St. Ignatius Loyola parish and at Xavier High School, both in Manhattan.

Father Garvey joined the New York Jesuits' publications office in 2006 as publications assistant. In that post he created the New York Province publication A Holy Boldness, the New York and Tri-Province newsletters and was most recently co-editor for Jesuits magazine, the magazine of the Maryland, New England and New York provinces.

His first assignment within the archdiocese was in 1987, as parochial vicar at St. Ignatius Loyola in Manhattan. In 1989 he went to Xavier High School, where he was director of campus ministry and also a teacher, serving a total of 13 years. He then returned to St. Ignatius Loyola, where he served until his appointment to the publications office.


He professed final vows as a Jesuit in 1979. He was ordained in 1974, after which he returned to the Caroline Islands for pastoral ministry until 1978. For the next nine years he was a retreat director, administrator and superior at St. Ignatius Retreat House in
Manhasset.

A Funeral Mass was offered Oct. 22 in St. Ignatius Loyola Church, with burial in the Jesuit Cemetery in Auriesville.

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