The Rev. Norbert Belliveau; pastor of St. Mary Church

The Rev. Norbert E. Belliveau, a Roman Catholic priest who was serving as pastor of St. Mary Church in Portland, died Thursday at St. Mary Rectory. He was 62.

He was named assistant pastor at St. Mary in 1966 and pastor on Sept. 8, 1987.

He previously was pastor at St. Luke’s Church in Ellington and at St. Philip the Apostle Church in Warrenville.

Born in Norwich, Father Belliveau attended the Samuel Huntington School in Colchester and Norwich Free Academy. He began his seminary studies at St. Thomas Seminary in Hartford. In 1950 he entered Christ the King Seminary in St. Bonaventure, N.Y., where he completed studies in philosophy and theology.

He was ordained to the priesthood on May 10, 1956, and later served as temporary assistant pastor of Christ the King Church in Old Lyme and St. Andrew Church in Colchester.

On Sept. 14, 1956, he was named assistant pastor of St. John Church in Plainfield. He was named assistant pastor of St. Mary of the Visitation Church in Putnam on April 9, 1960. On Sept. 28, 1961, he was assigned to St. Bernard Church in Rockville as assistant pastor.

He served as dean of the Vernon Deanery from 1980 to 1985.

Father Belliveau leaves six brothers, John J. Belliveau, Edward J. Belliveau, Clarence Belliveau and Robert Belliveau, all of Norwich, Michael James Belliveau, of Pueblo, Colo., and Thomas Arthur Belliveau of Bozrah; two sisters, Marie Gertrude Oloff and Irene Perkowski, both of Norwich; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.