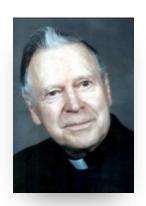
# Rev. Armand A. Turgeon



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SOMERSWORTH — On June 21, 2010, the Rev. Armand A. Turgeon was called to his rest and to the glory of the Resurrection promised by the Lord. He was 94 years old.

Father Turgeon was born in Somersworth on April 28, 1916, and was the son of Adjutor and Marie (Gaudreau) Turgeon. He was raised in this community graduating from St. Martin Academy. Father Turgeon studied at Saint Charles Borromeo College, Sherbrook, P.Q., Canada and then completed his ecclesiastical studies at the Grand Seminary in Montreal, P.Q., Canada. He was ordained a priest on April 10, 1943, by the Most Reverend William Rice, D.D., at Saint Joseph Cathedral in Manchester.

Father Turgeon was assigned as associate pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in Berlin in June, 1943 and then as associate pastor of Sainte Marie Parish in Manchester in December, 1944 while teaching Medical Ethics at Notre Dame School of Nursing, Manchester. In May 1946, Father Turgeon was assigned as associate pastor of Saint John the Baptist Parish in Suncook and then in January 1950 as Chaplain of Saint Francis Home, Laconia. In September 1954 he was assigned to Infant Jesus Parish, Nashua while teaching Medical Ethics at Saint Joseph School of Nursing. In April 1960 he was appointed Diocesan Director of Vocations.

In June 1960, Bishop Primeau appointed Father Turgeon as pastor of Saint Patrick Parish in Bennington. In June 1969, Bishop Primeau appointed Father Turgeon pastor of Infant Jesus Parish in Nashua and in October 1973 as pastor of Saint Joan of Arc Parish in Alton. In June 1979, Father Turgeon was named Chaplain to the Sisters of Holy Cross in Manchester where he served until his retirement in June of 1981. In October 1997 until January of 1998 Father Turgeon was asked to serve as temporary administrator of Saint Peter Parish, Farmington.

Father Turgeon was an active member of the Knights of Columbus 3rd and 4th degree and had served as chaplain to the 4th degree Assembly in Rochester during the 1990s.

Family members include his sisters, Margaret Perreault, Claire Gingrass and Armande Hughes. Many nephews and nieces. His brothers, the Rev. Joseph Turgeon and Alyre Turgeon and his sisters, Irma Bernier, Dora Guinard, Theresa Tetreault, Beatrice Turgeon and Gabriel Dodge, predeceased him.

On Thursday, June 24, 2010, The Rite of Reception of the Body will take place at 3 p.m. at St. Ignatius of Loyola Parish in St. Martin Catholic Church, 120 Maple St., Somersworth, NH. Father Turgeon will then lie in state in the church until 7 p.m. concluding with Evening Prayer.

The Most Reverend John B. McCormack, Bishop of Manchester, will preside at a Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, June 25, 2010 at 10 a.m. The Rite of Committal will be celebrated after the Mass at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Somersworth. The family requests that memorial contributions be made in Fr. Turgeon's name to, New Hampshire Catholic Charities, PO Box 686, Manchester, NH 03105-0686.

The Bernier-Gelinas Funeral Home, 49 South St., Somersworth, N.H., has been entrusted with final arrangements.

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# June 27, 2010



We loved you Father Armand. You have been a joy for us and many. We are thankful to you for your priesthood and your selfless service. We pray for your soul and all the persons your gentile and wise words have led all these years. "You are a priest forever in the order of Melchizek." Your friends at adoration, St. Marys Rollinsford

For many years, Rev. Turgeon was a regular customer at our Sugar Shack. He always brought a warm smile and friendly conversation. He even gave us directions to a Canadian sugar house he thought we'd enjoy visiting. A kind and caring man. He will be missed by many.

Sugar Shack, Barrington, NH

June 26, 2010

Our Sincere Sympathy to Marguerite, Claire and Armande! Father Armand was a model priest and a great person, loved by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.

The Very Best to you and yours!

Mr. & Mrs. George LaFrance, Dover, NH

June 25, 2010

I will miss you terribly you were a great friend and priest...May you rejoice in eternal happiness...Until we meet again Find Peace in Heaven's Hands. Mim Favreau Randolph,Ma

June 25, 2010

I'm going to miss Rev. Armanda A.Turgeon,he was a great friend of mine,very active member of the Knights of Columbus that served as a chaplain to the 4th degree, when I was a officer,in Rochester,NH Richard R. Carlson, Lake Wales, Florida

June 24, 2010

We will miss you terribly Father Turgeon along with your quick smile and mischievous sparkle in your eye . Sending out our sympathies to your family.

The Polletta and Strohecker families

June 24, 2010

My deepest condolences to Fr Turgeon's entire family. May he rest in the peace of the Lord.

**God Bless** 

Deacon Bill Brown

#### William Brown

June 23, 2010

My deepest sympathies go out to Reverand Turgeon's family. I used to wait on him at lunchtime. He always had a warm smile and such a kind way about him. We all looked forward to seeing him come into the restaurant. He shared wonderful stories about his life. Many people stopped to say hello to Father Turgeon and he always gave them his bright smile and listening ear. He reflected peace and God's love. It enhanced my life to know him. God bless.

Pat

June 23, 2010

To our dear friend Father Turgeon. We wish you rewards on your faithful service. May you always be held in the bosom of our Father. we love you Maurice and Patricia Richard

#### **Maurice Richard**

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