Rev. Ephraem Sitko, Spalding pastor

The Rev. Ephraem Sitko, a Roman Catholic priest, died Tuesday at St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba after a brief illness.

Father Sitko. 63, was a native Detroiter. He attended Sacred Heart Seminary in Detroit before joining the Franciscan Order in Pulaski, Wis., where he completed his theological training.

Father Sitko was ordained June 10, 1946. At the time of his death he was pastor of St. Francis Xavier Church in Spalding, Mich.

He is survived by three brothers.

Services will be at 10 a.m. today in St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Spalding, with burial in Dearborn Heights Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by the Kell-Tondin Funeral Home, Spalding.