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Rev Fr James J Kraker

BIRTH 28 Nov 1936

Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, USA

DEATH 8 Dec 2013 (aged 77)

Rice Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin, USA

BURIAL Saint Josephs Cemetery

Rice Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin, USA

MEMORIAL ID 121735457

REVEREND JAMES J. KRAKER, age 77, passed away, Sunday, December 8, 2013.

Father James Kraker was born November 28, 1936, in Milwaukee, WI. Fr. Kraker was ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee on May 29, 1965. His first appointment was at St. Nicholas Parish, Milwaukee. Fr. Kraker was incardinated into the Diocese of Superior on March 4, 1975.

The following list is a summary of Fr. Kraker's assignments and *appointments in the Diocese of Superior.

June 20, 1967: Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Ladysmith; Assistant Pastor

*September 12, 1967: Assistant Vocation Director, Rusk County

*February 1, 1968: Local Director for Marriage Prep Course

*February 3, 1969: Local Director for Marriage Prep Course

June 25, 1969: Immaculate Conception Parish, New Richmond; Assistant Pastor

*July 15, 1969: Moderator for the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and Diocesan Council of Catholic Men

*December 5, 1969: Deanery Coordinator for Marriage Preparation November 4, 1970: St. Mary's Parish, Tomahawk; Assistant Pastor

*June 20, 1973: Director of the Hudson District Office of the Catholic Charities Bureau

April 19, 1974: St. Patrick Parish, Minocqua; Temporary Administrator for pastor out due to for illness.

June 4, 1974: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Dobie; Administrator

St. Joseph Parish, Rice Lake; Assistant

July 14, 1976: St. Dominic Parish, Frederic; Pastor

*March 1, 1977: Served on Ecumenical Commission

*January 6, 1981 – June 19, 1984: Associate Director of the Permanent Diaconate Program

July 27, 1982: St. Boniface Parish, Chetek; Pastor

June 19, 1984: St. Robert Bellarmine Parish, Merrill; Pastor

*January & February, 1985: School for Charismatic Spiritual Directors

June 23, 1992: Immaculate Conception Parish, Hammond; Pastor

St. Patrick Parish, Erin; Pastor

*May 18, 1997: Diocesan Liaison for Charismatic Renewal

August 26, 1997: Immaculate Conception Parish, Hammond; Pastor

St. Patrick Parish, Erin; Pastor

St. John the Baptist Parish, Glenwood City; Pastor

St. Bridget Parish, Wilson; Pastor

June 20, 1999 Leave of absence for health reasons.

November 28, 2001 Retired.

Fr. James Kraker was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Lillian, and an older brother. He is survived by his older sister Audrey Zupan, Milwaukee and a younger sister, Connie Kraker, Clearwater, Florida and special friends Kathy Tweet and Chad Skinner.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on Monday, December 16, 2013, at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Dobie, WI, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 p.m. Burial will be in the Priests' Circle at St. Joseph Cemetery, Rice Lake.

May Father Kraker's soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen

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