Muszynski Dead at 77 In Scott Twp.

Pastor, Ex-Democrat Chairman, Political Mentor of Brosky

The Rev. Anthony J. Muszynski, pastor of St. Ignatius Church for 42 years and a former Democratic Party chairman in Scott Township during the 1940s, died unexpectedly yesterday in the church rectory.

Father Muszynski, 69, became ill suddenly after his return from celebrating the 8 a.m. mass in the Carnegie church. He had been in ill health for some time.

Mentor of Brosky

A former member of the township school board, he was the political mentor of Common Pleas Court Judge John G. Brosky. He baptized the judge and helped him in his education and political career.

"The father believed a good priest should not be confined to the church and the rectory," Judge Brosky said, "He felt he should go out and help his people in all areas of life."

Born in Pittsburgh June 13, 1892, Father Muszynski attended St. Adalbert School, Southside; and Duquesne University. He attended Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary in Michigan and St. Mary Seminary in Baltimore.

Ordained in 1917

He was ordained June 21, 1917, and became assistant pastor at St. Ladislaus Parish, Natrona. After serving as an Army chaplain, he was named assistant pastor of Holy Family Parish prior to becoming assistant pastor of St. Ignatius in 1919. In 1920 he became pastor of the church.

Father Muszynski is survived by two brothers, Louis and William; and two sisters, Leona and Gertrude; all of Pittsburgh.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Burial will be in St. Ignatius Parish Cemetery.