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# Rev. R. W. Duerr dies, was De Sales principal

A Mass of Christian Burial for the Rev. Robert Weigmann Duerr, a former principal of Mount De Sales Academy in Catonsville, will be held at 10 a.m. tomorrow at St. Louis Catholic Church, 12500 Clarksville pike.

Father Duerr died Wednesday at his home in Catonsville after a long illness. He was 60.

Born in West Baltimore, Father Duerr attended Mount St. Joseph High School.

After attending St. Charles College in Catonsville, he received his bachelor's degree in theology from St. Mary's Seminary in 1948.

Father Duerr's first assignment was at St. Rita's Church in Dundalk, which he served from 1948 to 1959.

He joined the faculty at Mount De Sales Academy in 1959. He was a chaplain and taught religion, psy-

chology, chemistry and problems of democracy.

Father Duerr was appointed principal of the academy in 1970. He held that position until 1980, when he became ill.

While at Mount De Sales, he was responsible for the school's gaining accreditation and increasing its enrollment. Father Duerr was sometimes referred to as the "second founder" of the academy.

He also was the associate pastor of St. Louis Parish in Clarksville in 1976 and 1977.

Father Duerr is survived by four sisters, Rita Micriotti, of Catonsville, Elizabeth Loats, of Baltimore, Sister Marie Duerr, S.U.S.C., of Baltimore, and Sister Mary Catherine Duerr, S.U.S.C., of Clarksville, and two brothers, Lee Duerr, of Snow Hill, and Charles Duerr, of Catonsville.