April 4, 2021

Rev. John Copenhaver

John Copenhaveer was born on June 14, 1960 in Kansas City, Kansas. He attended college in Nebraska and Kansas before entering Mount Saint Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland, where he received his degree in Theology.

Father Copenhaver was ordained on May 28, 1988 at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln by Bishop Glennon P. Flavin.



Father Copenhaver served in various parishes and institutions in the diocese during his years of active ministry. He retired in 2012 and took up residence at Marianna, a retirement community for priests near Fremont, Nebraska.

Father Copenhaver died on Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021 at the Methodist Hospital in Fremont, Nebraska. A private Rosary and funeral Mass and burial were held on April 9, 2021 at Holy Angels Church in Basekor, Kansas.