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Rev. Daniel J. Mulkern T.O.R.

July 25, 1938 - August 4, 2016



formerly Simeon, 78, of the Third Order Regular Franciscans of the Province of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, died after an illness on August 4, 2016, at St. Francis Friary at Mt. Assisi, Loretto. He was born on July 22, 1938, in Philadelphia and given the name Daniel John at Baptism at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia. He was the son of the late Joseph Mulkern and Anna Sheehan Mulkern. He attended Cathedral Elementary School, Philadelphia, and graduated from Roman Catholic High School, Philadelphia. He entered the T.O.R. community on September 16, 1957. On July 30, 1959 he entered Sacred Heart Novitiate, Washington, DC and pronounced his first vows on July 1, 1960. He pronounced his solemn vows on July 1, 1963 at Mt. Assisi Friary, Loretto. Fr. Daniel was ordained to the priesthood by the late Bishop J. Carroll, McCormick S.T.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown, at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona on May 19, 1966. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from St. Francis Seminary in May, 1962. He completed Theological studies at St. Francis Seminary in 1962. He received a Masters Degree from The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC; a Masters Degree from De Paul University, Chicago, Illinois; a Masters Degree from Loyola Marymount University, California; and a Theological Masters Degree from Princeton Theological Seminary, New Jersey. During his long and very faithful and very active Franciscan life, Fr. Daniel served in many of the ministries of the Province. He taught at Bishop Conwell High School in Levittown, PA; he was on the faculty of Saint Francis Seminary; he was Director of Communications for the Province at Saint Francis Prep School, Spring Grove, PA; he served in Campus Ministry at the College of St. Francis, Joliet Illinois; he was parochial vicar in several parishes in New Jersey, New York and South Dakota. Fr. Daniel was an artist, a writer, a photographer, a film maker and truly a renaissance man. Fr. Daniel is survived by a sister Kathryn Tangert of Philadelphia and many nieces and nephews and his Franciscan brothers. He was preceded in death by his brother: Joseph, and sisters: Theresa McCabe, Mary Massey-Davis. Friends will be received at the Chapel of St. Francis Friary at Mount Assisi, Loretto on Sunday from 4:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. The Vigil Service will be celebrated at 7 p.m. The Mass of Christian Burial will be concelebrated on Monday at 11 a.m. at St. Francis Friary at Mt. Assisi, Loretto with Very Rev. Richard L. Davis, T.O.R., Minister Provincial, principal celebrant. Following the Mass, internment will take place at the Franciscan Friars Cemetery on the campus of St. Francis University, Loretto. Memorial contributions may be made to support retired T.O.R. Friars in care of T.O.R Retirement Fund, St. Francis Friary, P.O. Box 137, Loretto, PA 15940. Arrangements by Gibbons Funeral Home, 301 Church Street, Gallitzin, PA 16641 gibbonsfunerals.com

No Events Scheduled At This Time