

Rev. Mackan dies

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The Nugget

A former principal of Scollard Hall died suddenly Friday in Kitchener at the age of 64.

Rev. Patrick Mackan served at the Roman Catholic secondary school from 1964 to 1977, first as a teacher and then as principal of the private school.

Father Pat, as he was known to his numerous friends in the North Bay region, was a priest of the Congregation of the Resurrection and a member of Resurrection College House in Waterloo.

Rev. Mackan professed first vows to the congregation in 1954 and was ordained a priest in 1957. Following his years in North Bay, he served as principal of St. John's College in Brantford, and as spiritual director of St. Jerome's High School in Kitchener.

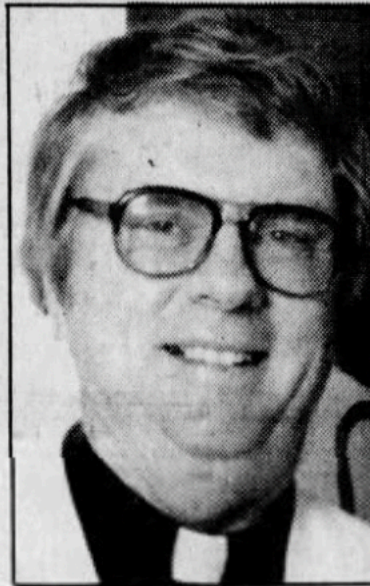
He also served as assistant provincial superior in the congregation and later did pastoral and special ministry work in Bermuda. He helped integrate the handicapped with other students, an act which was recognized internationally, and served as a founder and director of the Centre for Integrated Education and Community.

Rev. Mackan also acted as a consultant to numerous school boards across Canada and as an advisor

for programs at the University of Lethbridge, Alta., and the University of British Columbia.

In addition to serving at Scollard Hall, Rev. Mackan topped the polls in the North Bay separate school trustee race in December, 1974 in his first race for a seat on the Nipissing District Roman Catholic Separate School Board.

He later resigned the seat following changes to the Education Act which would have placed him in conflict of interest as principal of the school. The board had nominal responsibility for Grade 9 and 10 students at the school.



Rev. PATRICK MACKAN