



**Rev. Francis
A. Dixon, S.V.D.**

HOUSTON — The Rev. Francis Alvin Dixon, S.V.D., pastor of St. Mary of the Purification, went to be with his Lord, July 30, 2001. Father Dixon was born Nov. 27, 1943, in Delcambre, La.

Survivors include eight sisters and two brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents, Marie Fanella Roy Dixon and Clarence Dixon Sr. of New Iberia, La.

Memorial services will begin with visitation from 1:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. today. A rosary and vigil service will follow at 5 p.m. and a Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 7 p.m. All services will be held at St. Mary of the Purification, 3006 Rosedale, Houston.

Father Dixon will be laid to rest Monday, Aug. 6, at St. Augustine Seminary Cemetery, 199 Seminary Drive, Bay St. Louis, Miss., following a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at 10 a.m. by his fellow Divine Word Missionaries at the Seminary Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial contribution can be made to the Divine Word Seminary Scholarship Fund, 201 Ruella Ave., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520-4638.

McCoy & Harrison Funeral Home, 4918 Martin Luther King Blvd., Houston, TX 77021, (713) 659-7610, is in charge of the arrangements.