

The Rev. James P. Vallely **served parishes in Portland, S. Portland**

KENNEBUNKPORT – The Rev. James P. Vallely, 75, of Wildwood Avenue at Goose Rocks Beach died unexpectedly Friday at his winter residence in Sun City, Fla.



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James Vallely

He was born in Sanford, a son of James P. and Viola E. Lewis Vallely, attended Sanford schools, Providence (R.I.) College and St. Francis Seminary, Loretto, Pa.

He was ordained by Bishop John Wright in 1949 at the Immaculate Conception Church in Malden, Mass., for service in the Archdiocese of Portland, Oregon.

Father Vallely served there one year, then returned to Maine and in 1952 was incardinated in the Diocese of Portland, Maine.

He served several parishes as assistant pastor including St. Mary's and St. John's Church, Bangor, St. Dominic's, Portland, and St. John the Evangelist, South Portland. After serving as temporary administrator at St. Louis Church, Limestone, he became pastor of Holy Name of Jesus Church in Machias and in 1974, became pastor at St. Michael's Church, South Berwick.

Father Vallely retired in 1988 because of illness.

Surviving are two sisters, Marjorie C. Vallely of Goose Rocks Beach and Paula M. Stott of Springvale; and a cousin, J. Woodrow Vallely of Sanford.

The Rev. Vallely will be received at a Rite of Reception and Liturgy of the Hours at 3 p.m. in Tuesday St. Martha's Church, Kennebunk. Visiting hours will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the church. A concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday at St. Martha's Church with Bishop Joseph Gerry as celebrant. The Rev. Laurent Laplante will be the homilist. Spring burial will be in St. Ignatius Cemetery, Sanford. Arrangements by the Bibber Memorial Chapel, Kennebunk.