The Rev. James J.

The Rev. James J. Ahern, 68, of 309 Benton boulevard, pastor emeritus of Assumption Catholic church, died yesterday at St. Mary's hospital.

He was born in Flourtown, Pa., and lived here 40 years. Father Ahern attended seminary in Princeton, N. J., and was ordained April 6, 1930.

He was assistant pastor at the Cathedral of the Immaculate

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Conception, Blessed Sacrament, Guardian Angel and St. Louis Catholic churches.

Father Ahern also was pastor of churches in Sarcoxie, Neosho and Nevada, Mo., before coming to Assumption church in 1957. He was named pastor emeritus July 1, 1965.

Surviving are two brothers, Edward Ahern and John Ahern, and four sisters, Miss Anna Ahern; Mrs. Margaret Lennon; Mrs. Alice Hafner and Miss Katherine Ahern, all of Philadelphia.

Pontificial requiem mass will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday at the Assumption church; burial in Philadelphia. The parish rosary will be said at 8 o'clock tonight at the church, where friends may call from 1 o'clock today to 10 o'clock tonight.