

Rev. Joseph L. Brown

Funeral masses were held Friday and Saturday here and in Breaux Bridge for the Rev. Joseph L. Brown, 65, pastor of Our Mother of Mercy Roman Catholic Church here.

The Rev. Brown died Saturday at 11 a.m. in Acadia-St. Landry Hospital.

Visitation began at 3 p.m. Friday in Our Mother of Mercy Church, where a mass was held at 7:30 p.m.

Visitation was also held Saturday at St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church in Breaux Bridge, beginning at 9 a.m.

A concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial was held in Breaux Bridge at 11 a.m. Saturday. The Very Rev. John L.M. Filippelli, S.S.J., was the principal celebrant of the mass.

Burial followed in the St. Francis of Assisi Church Cemetery.

The Rev. Brown was ordained a priest at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on June 8, 1948.

He served as pastor of Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church for one year and three months and was pastor at St. Francis of Assisi in Breaux Bridge from 1972-79.

Survivors include one brother, Robert Brown of Danvers, Mass.; three sisters, Mrs. Eileen Jensen of Long Beach, Calif., Mrs. Virginia Amino and Miss Alia Brown, both of Salem, Mass.; and one niece.

Duhon Funeral Home of Church Point was in charge of all arrangements.