

Priest of the Archdiocese of San Francisco, California.

Fr. Carl Schipper, died peacefully at home last Thursday, February 18, 2021 of an apparent heart attack. He was 78 years of age, and had been ordained for 52 years.

Carl and his younger sister Linda were raised in the Outer Sunset to Harold and Dorothy (Martins) Schipper. His father ran the family grocery store at 34th and Judah for many years, and Carl attended Holy Name of Jesus School and then Saint Ignatius High School before entering St. Joseph College and St. Patrick's Seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood on May 18, 1968, along with Fr. Gerald Coleman, and Fr. Don D'Angelo at Holy Name of Jesus Church in San Francisco. (The present cathedral was under construction, and Archbishop Joseph McGucken had determined that members of the ordination class would to travel to parishes in the counties where they were raised. A day earlier - on May 17, 1968 - Msgr. Michael Harriman, Bishop Bill Justice and Fr. Tom Seagrave were ordained at St. Matthew Church in San Mateo.)

Fr. Schipper served in the Archdiocese from his ordination in 1968 until his retirement in 2001. Thereafter, he lived independently - with Parker, his much-loved dog, and constant companion. Fr. Carl and his sister shared daily responsibility for their beloved mother in the East Bay until her death in 2016.

Funeral arrangements are private.