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ROCK HILL — Father James J. Sharples, 56, of 434 Charlotte Ave., died Thursday in Lancaster.

Funeral mass will be Monday at noon at the Church of Our Lady and St. Philip Neri with Bishop Ernest L. Unterkoefler officiating. Burial will be in Laurelwood Cemetery.

Father Sharples was pastor of St. Anne's Catholic Church. He had built three churches while serving pastorates at St. Catherine's in Lancaster, St. Michael's in Great Falls, and St. Theresa in Winnsboro.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Kathleen Andress of Daytona Beach, Fla.; Mrs. Mary Boyland of Charleston, W. Va., Mrs. Arlene Tallman of Auburn, N.Y.; a brother, Spencer Sharples of Allentown, Pa.

Office of the Dead will be recited Sunday at 8 p.m. at Bass Funeral Home.