Rev. Gerald Swift

Church pastor, born in England, 91

Rev. Gerald Swift, S.T., 91, of the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, died on June 12, 2007, at Holy Cross Nursing Home and Rehabilitation Center

in Burtonsville, Md.

A Liturgy of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, June 21, at 11 a.m. at the Shrine of St. Joseph, 1050 Long Hill Rd., Stirling. Friends may pay their respects the morning of the Mass from 9:30 until 10:45 a.m. Liturgy of Christian Burial will follow on Saturday, June 23, at St. Joseph's Missionary Cenacle, followed by interment at the Missionary Servants Cemetery in Holy Trinity (Fort Mitchell), Ala.

For information, contact the Gallaway and Crane Funeral Home (908) 766-0250, or go to

gcfuneralhome.com.

Father Swift was born in Liverpool, England, and resided in this country most of his life.

He was ordained June 11, 1946, at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

He spent most of his career as pastor to churches in Mississippi, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Kentucky. He was assigned to the Shrine of St. Joseph in Stirling in 1936, and then in 1938, he became an assistant.

Father Swift is survived by a sister, Mary McGrath of New Jersey and many loving nieces and nephews.

Those planning an expression of sympathy are asked to send contributions in the Father's name to the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Trinity, 1733 Metzerott Rd., Adelphia, Md. 20783.