

**KENSHOL, REV. JOSEPH**

Rev. Joseph W. Kenshol age 78, of Grand Rapids entered eternal life on the morning of Dec. 19, 2022. Father Kenshol was born on Aug. 22, 1944, in Grand Rapids, son of Leonard and Jennie (nee Borkowski) Kenshol. Father Kenshol attended Mt. Mercy Academy, St. Mary Catholic School, and Catholic Central in Grand Rapids; Salvatorian Seminary-St. Nazianz, Wisconsin; St. Paul College, Waukesha, WI; Aquinas College; and St. John's Provincial Seminary in Plymouth, MI. He was ordained to the priesthood on Jan. 19, 1973, by Bishop Joseph M. Breitenbeck at St. Mary Church in Grand Rapids. In January 1973, Father Kenshol was appointed parochial vicar of the Cathedral of Saint Andrew; in February 1976, appointed parochial vicar of Blessed Sacrament; in June 1978, appointed parochial vicar of the Basilica of Saint Adalbert; in June 1981, appointed pastor of Our Lady of Fatima in Shelby and Our Lady of the Assumption in Rothbury; in June 1988, appointed parochial vicar of Sacred Heart of Jesus in Grand Rapids and, in June 1990, appointed pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus; in February 1994, appointed pastor of Mary, Queen of Apostles in Sand Lake with St. Clara Mis-



sion in Coral; in July 2012, appointed pastor of St. Margaret of Scotland Mission, Harvard (Cedar Springs). He was granted senior priest status on July 1, 2013. Father Joe is survived by his cousins in the Borkowski and Kenshol families, also by many friends he has made through the years. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday, Jan. 6, 2023 at 11 a.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church where he will lie in state one hour prior to the Mass with Bishop David Walkowiak presiding and Father Bill Zink homilist. Interment Mount Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church 2510 Richmond St., NW, 49504. A Vigil Service will be held Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

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