

St. Anthony Church Priest, Native of Fall River, Dies

The Rev. Gerard A. Boisvert, 51, assistant at St. Anthony Church for 19 years, died yesterday at St. Luke's Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital June 23 after suffering a heart attack.

Born in Fall River on Jan. 13, 1916, he was the son of the late Alfred and Varina (Quintin) Boisvert. He was graduated from Blessed Sacrament School in Fall River and studied for the priesthood at St. Hyacinth College, Quebec; St. Alexander College Limbour via Hull, Quebec, and St. Mary Seminary, Baltimore.

Ordained May 18, 1940, by the then bishop of the Fall River Diocese, the late Most Rev. James E. Cassidy, Father Boisvert was assigned to St. Anthony Church from 1940 until 1955.

Later he served briefly at Blessed Sacrament Church, Fall River, before being assigned to Notre Dame Church there. He stayed at Notre Dame until he was reassigned to St. Anthony Church in 1963.

In addition to his parish duties, Father Boisvert served as a pro-synodal judge on the Diocesan Matrimonial Tribunal Board, as a member of the General Commission for Diocesan Synod,



REV. G. A. BOISVERT

as chairman of the Committee on Clergy of the synod and as vice president of the Priests Senate.

The Office of the Dead will be chanted at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Anthony Church, followed by a Solemn Pontifical Mass of Requiem.

Surviving are a brother, Roger of Lowell, and a sister, Miss Madeline Boisvert of Fall River.