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Rev Anthony DeAngelis

BIRTH	1909 Providence, Providence County, Rhode Island, USA
DEATH	1990 (aged 80–81) Margate, Broward County, Florida, USA
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Rt. Rev. Msgr. Anthony DeAngelis

ordained 1935; pastor and a senior diocesan official; accused of sexual abuse; monsignor

partial obituary:

Monsignor Anthony A. DeAngelis , 80, pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Natick for 35 years until his retirement in 1979, died Tuesday at Northwest Regional Hospital, Margate, Fla.

Monsignor DeAngelis lived at Monsignor DeAngelis Manor I, a housing complex for the elderly which he had a role in getting built and which was named in honor of him in 1979. He was on his annual winter vacation in Florida when he died.

Despite his retirement in 1979 he was never far from the church, saying Mass there when asked to, and taking walks around the neighborhood, one friend recalled.

After his retirement, he most often offered Mass in a chapel at the Monsignor DeAngelis Manor I.

He was also an avid golfer.

Monsignor DeAngelis was born in Providence, a son of the late Giovanni and Maria (DiNardo) DeAngelis . He had lived in West Warwick for 54 years. He came to West Warwick in 1936 after serving briefly at St. Bartholomew Church and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Providence. He was a curate at Sacred Heart from 1936 until 1944, when he was named pastor.

He graduated from LaSalle Academy in Providence and Providence College in 1931. He studied for the priesthood in Italy and was ordained a priest on March 16, 1935, in Rome.

While he was pastor at Sacred Heart a convent was built in 1950, and the church and rectory were enlarged in 1955. A parochial school, now closed, was built in 1960.

Monsignor DeAngelis served on the Building Committee for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, the diocese's insurance committee and the diocese's ecumenical committee.

He was president of the Pawtuxet Valley Ecumenical Association of Clergymen, and he was on the board of trustees of the West Warwick Senior Center.

He also helped to organize two housing corporations for the elderly. The two complexes are home to more than 200 elderly and are called the Monsignor DeAngelis Manor I and II.

During his retirement, he organized the Association of Retired Priests and became its first president. He received the Bishop Harkins Award from the Providence College Alumni Association in 1986.

He is survived by several cousins.