# Msgr. Mahon retires

Msgr. Gerald F. Mahon, formerly pastor of the Most Precious Blood parish in Glidden and also a former pastor of St. Francis Xavier parish in Merrill, has retired from active pastoral work.

Msgr. Mahon was pastor of the St. Francis parish from June 19, 1953, until 1965.

He will be the chaplain at the Royalton Manor, a housing for the elderly project in Superior.

Msgr. Mahon was born in Duluth, Minn., attended St. Paul's Seminary and was ordained in 1930. He was pastor for a year at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Winter. For 11 years, he was pastor at Assumption Church and taught in Cathedral High School in South Superior. He was pastor at St. John's Church in Birchwood for about 10 years before coming to Merrill. During his pastorate, a new church was built in Birchwood.

While he was in Merrill the old St. Francis Church was razed and two parishes, St. Francis and St. Robert Bellarmine, was formed.

After leaving Merrill Monsignor was assigned to the parish in Glidden where a new church was built.

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