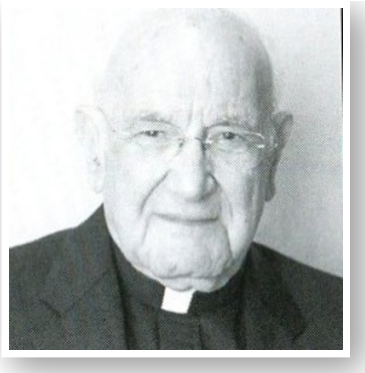


Msgr. Nicholas Iacovacci

January 03, 1926 - November 23, 2023

Rev. Msgr. Nicholas J. Iacovacci, 97, Pastor Emeritus of St. Ann Parish, Providence, passed away Thursday, November 23, 2023, at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in Pawtucket.

Born in Providence on January 3, 1926, son of the late Nicola and Rose (Regoli) and stepson of the late Mary Preston. He was the brother of the late Joseph Iacovacci (Regina Incollingo).

He attended Cranston public schools, and in 1940 he attended La Salle Academy. Msgr. Was among the first students to attend Our Lady of Providence Seminary at Warwick Neck when it was founded in 1941. From 1946 to 1951 he studied philosophy and Theology at St. Mary University Baltimore, Maryland and was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Russel J. Mc Vinney at the Cathedral in Providence on May 19, 1951.

Msgr. Iacovacci served for three months at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Providence and from September 1951 until 1968 at St. Ann Church in Providence. In 1968 he served at Our Lady of Grace Church in Johnston and then as pastor of St. Williams Church in Warwick. In January 1976 Msgr. became pastor of St. Ann Parish in Providence, retiring in 1997. From 1998 until 2021 he served as priest in residence at St. Peter Church in Warwick.

Msgr, also served on many diocesan boards, committees and offices. He served as vice-president and president of the Senate of Priests, and chaplain of the daughters of Isabella, Santa Maria Circle No 58 and the State Circle. In addition to his parish duties he served at the Catholic prison ministry in the Adult Correctional Institute Cranston.

At the request of Bishop Tobin, His Holliness Pope Benedict XVI named Father Iacovacci a Chaplain to His Holiness, with the title of Reverend Monsignor.

A concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, November 29th, at 10:00 AM in St. Peter Church, 350 Fair Street Warwick. Calling hours Tuesday, November 28th from 4:00 to 7:00 PM in St. Peter Church. Burial will be in St. Ann Cemetery, Cranston. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Little Sisters of the Poor, 964 Main Street Pawtucket, R.I. 02860 or St. Peter School 350 Fair St Warwick, R. I. 02888.

Services

Visitation
Tuesday
November 28, 2023
4:00 PM to 7:00 PM
St Peters Church
350 Fair Street

Warwick, RI 02888

Mass of Christian Burial
Wednesday
November 29, 2023
10:00 AM
St Peters Church
350 Fair Street
Warwick, RI 02888

Cemetery

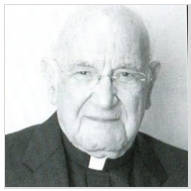
St. Ann Cemetery

72 Church Street
Cranston, RI

Tribute Wall

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A.A. Mariani & Son Funeral Home




M

Mary

I didnt know Msgr well at all. But he once called me personally at schoolfrom his residenceto apologize to me for something and to thank me for my work with the children and the cards and gift we made for him. Id been an active, involved Catholic all my life, and had never had a priest apologize to me (aside from an uncle, who was apologizing as an uncle, and not as a priest) for anything. I will never forget that. You remain in my thoughts and prayers, Msgr. Please keep my family in yours.

R

Robert Forti

It was a pleasure to serve you as an alter boy Father Iacovacci at St. Anns. You was always kind and with providing instructions as well. I looked up to you as the leader of the church and listened in closely to hear your sermon after the reading of the Bible as so many of us did. Thank you for your services and Rest in Peace.

M

MaryAnnDiMarioLandry

Monsignor Iacovacci will be remembered by all fortunate to know him.He was a shining example of priestly dedicationcelebrating our joyous occasions and consoling us in times of sorrow.Rest in Peace faithful servant of Our Lord. MaryAnn DiMario Landry

S

Stephen A. Rongo

Stephen RongoNovember 26, 2023I was an alter boy in the late 1950s assisting Father Iacovacci. I will always remember Msgr Nick as a wonderful man as well as a kind, gentle and caring priest. May he Rest In Peace.

R

Ralph Capaldi

Fr. Iacovacci will be missed by many. He was such a great person, a great priest. When I was around 13 years old (1954) I wanted to become an alter boy, he taught me Latin. I served mass for Fr. until I went into the Marine Corps (1960). Every time I came home on leave I made it my duty to see him, he was so grateful that I didnt forget him. He was more than glad when RoseMarie and I asked him to come to our 25th and 50th wedding anniversaries to officiate the renewal of our vows. Msgr., as many, will never forget you. God Bless you. May You Rest In Peace.Ralph & RoseMarie Capaldi

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J

Joanne J. Rongo

Monsignor Nicholas Iacovacci came to Saint Ann's Parish along with Father Alfred Ferrara in the 1950's. At that time Saint Ann School students were taught by the Sisters of Mercy; however when report time came the parish priests handed out the report cards. I was 13 years old when I met Fathers Iacovacci and Ferrara. They were terrific priests. My brother served them both at Holy Mass. I have lasting memories of my nine years at Saint Ann School and of the nuns and priests who with my parents shaped my character. Father Iacovacci, as we fondly refer to him, spent decades at Saint Ann Church which we were taught to believe is a National Italian American Roman Catholic Church. I am proud of the turn of the century Italian Americans that built Saint Ann Church, the rectory, Saint Ann School, and also the never to be forgotten Venerini Sisters and Convent that cared for children initially on Monticello Street and later on Greeley Street. Monsignor Nicholas Iacovacci is part of a historical era that I hope will not be forgotten.Rest in Peace Good & Faithful Priest Joanne J. RongoProvidenceGranddaughter of Stefano & Giovannina Rongo, Saint Ann Parishioners from1900 to the time of their passing.

R

Ron Truppa

Monsignor Nocholas Iacovacci (he preferred Father), you will be Greatly missed! God Bless you for all your priestly works which have blessed all of our lives. Can't say enough about this Wonderful man!Rest in peace...Ron and Lori Truppa xo

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J

Joyce Melo

Condolences from the Albert and Loretta Landi family. He was my familys parish priest/pastor at St. Anns Church in Providence. The godliest priest I ever met. My brothers and neighborhood kids would play wiffle ball in theparking lot of the rectoryhe loved seeing them!When my brother Stephen died, he provided me such comfort! Hes singing with the angels! Joyce Landi Melo

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S

Salvatore Saccoccio R.A.

MSNGR NICK WAS God's greatest gift to all of his parishioner's & I had I the Privilege/ honor of being his Architect on his many Parishes. "NICK HAD THE BIGGEST HEART" HE enjoyed his calling as a parish priest. I had the greatest respect for him we remained good friends with him & on his 96th Birthday we took him to his favorite eating place "Mikes" Kitchen in Cranston, we shared a great meal & friendship with on that great day. WE loved you dearly NICK MAY GOD GRANT YOU PEACE & ETERNAL REST I will miss you very much. MAY GOD SHEAD HIS GRACES ON YOU your friend always SAL

S

Salvatore Saccoccio R.A.

MNSGR NICH WAS THE PRIESTIST PRIEST THAT I HAD THE PRIVEVIGE OF BEING THE ARCHITECT For the several churches & schools. that he served on. WE had A GREAT RELATIONSHIP THAT CARRIED OVER INTO HIS 96TH BIRTHDAY YEAR MSGR NICH LOVED TO GO TO "Mike's kitchen IN Cranston WE brought him there on his 96th Birthday HE was model Priest to me & was my greatest admiration. of what a priest should be GOD LOVE HIM RIP NICK

J

Jim Pitassi

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Msgr. Nicholas J. Iacovacci. He was one great man!As can be seen by reading his obituary, Father (Msgr) Iacovacci was a priest for 72 years. He was ordained in May 1951 and, after a 3 month stint at another church, was assigned to St. Ann Church, in Providence. He baptized me a few months after his ordination and (I believe Carol as well) and was there for all of my Sacraments (and Carol's).He even celebrated our wedding Mass and all of our parents' burial Masses. I know he was even there for my grandparents, aunts, uncles, and even concelebrated my sister's funeral Mass just a few years ago. He was always around in the good times and the sad times. One cannot find a better priest than Father (Msgr) Iacovacci! He worked until he was 90 years old at the prison. Recently, at 97 years of age, he was even kind enough to send me a fruit basket when I was convalescing from my surgery this past June. (He was living at the Jeanne Jugan Nursing Residence run by the Little Sisters of the Poor; yet, he found time for little old me. I was truly humbled.)It breaks my heart, to think that such a great man had to die; however, that is what we are all born to do, eventually...to meet our maker on Judgment Day. I sure hope in his final days that he did not suffer before he began his final journey. I am certain that at the moment he approached "those pearly gates" he heard the words from his Creator (as the Scriptures state): "Well Done Good and Faithful Servant!"A heartfelt thank you for all he did for me in my lifetime!I sure hope his funeral Mass will be attended by all the clergy in the diocese and all the people who passed through his lifetime. He helped so many people.Thank you "Father Nick" (as you so humbly signed the card that you sent to me when I was sick.)I will never forget you!

J

Jane Sweeney

He was a Christian both he deed and thought. He lived himself the Golden Rule he taught . Geoffrey Chaucer

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D

Danielle Stromberg

This amazing man was a part of our parish since I was 8 years old he watched my children grow up and he was an amazing person and confidant. Msgr iacovacci you will be missed rip peace.

J

James Bastone

Beautiful priest, beautiful man A lover of God & people; Monsignor had a depth of character, integrity & grace. He showed such humility and possessed a quiet wisdom. He was warm, kind, loving and a wonderful teacher & model. He baptized me, gave me my First Communion & was with me for Confirmation. He shared with me a love of classical music & taught me so much as a young man; it was a friendship that lasted 65 years. His service as a faithfilled priest has left a mark on the Church that will never fade away. He will be missed.