



Dear Priests and Deacons,

The Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Wolff
Pastor Emeritus, Guardian Angels Parish, Copley

Died Saturday, 14 November 2020, after having received the prayerful support and consolation of the Sacraments.

Robert C. Wolff was born on 6 August 1925. His parents were the late Peter and Rose (Gorris). He was educated at Our Lady of Peace Elementary, Cleveland, Cathedral Latin High School, Cleveland, Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit, MI, and St. Mary Seminary, Cleveland. On 29 April 1950 in the Cathedral of Saint John the Evangelist, Archbishop Edward F. Hoban ordained him to the priesthood for the service of the Diocese of Cleveland.

Fr. Wolff's first assignment was as Parochial Vicar of St. Stephen, Cleveland. On 17 September 1953 he was assigned to serve on the faculty of Borromeo College Seminary, Wickliffe as a full time Professor. On 8 June 1961 Fr. Wolff was named Vice Rector of Borromeo College Seminary, Wickliffe. On 28 July 1961 he was named Rector of Borromeo College Seminary and President of the Board of Trustees. He was appointed Domestic Prelate with the title Monsignor in 1962 by Pope John XXIII. On 2 October 1972 Monsignor Wolff was named Pastor of St. Angela Merici, Fairview Park. During this assignment he served as Dean and Consultor (1979-1983) and Pastor Consultor (1987-1992). On 30 September 1988 he was assigned Administrator pro tem of Guardian Angels, Copley. On 2 January 1989 he was named Pastor of Guardian Angels, Copley. Upon his retirement on 6 August 1995 Monsignor Wolff was named Pastor Emeritus of Guardian Angels, Copley. On 7 November 1997 he served as Administrator pro tem of Immaculate Conception, Akron. Monsignor Wolff served as Administrator pro tem of St. Eugene, Cuyahoga Falls from 28 April 1999 to 24 August 1999. Monsignor Wolff served the Church faithfully. His work in seminary formation, great concern and love for the poor, his gentle smile and his love for the priesthood will be greatly missed.

Monsignor Wolff's family has decided that he will be buried at Calvary Cemetery, Cleveland privately. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated once the COVID-19 has subsided.

In accord with the provisions of the Marian Pact, please try to attend and concelebrate the Memorial Mass when it is scheduled, offer Mass for him as you are able and cause him to be remembered and prayed for in the appropriate public prayers of the Church. May Monsignor Wolff and all our bishops, priests and deacons who have died, live forever in the joy of the Resurrection.

Sincerely in Christ,

Reverend Donald P. Oleksiak
Vicar General/Moderator of the Curia