Rev. Richard Wolf

Teacher, administrator; at 51

FALL RIVER – Rev. Richard J. Wolf, a teacher and former principal of Bishop Connolly High School here, died unexpectedly Wednesday while vacationing on Shelter Island, N.Y. He was 51.

Rev. Wolf had been a member of the faculty at Bishop Connolly High School for almost 20 years, as principal and a teacher in the English and theology departments.

At his death, he taught religion and was director of the school's alumni association and assistant director of development.

Born in Rockville Center, N.Y., he entered the Society of Jesus in 1954 and was ordained at Weston College in 1967.

He earned master's degrees in philosophy and English at Boston College, a master's degree in classics at Johns Hopkins University and a divinity degree at Weston School of Theology.

He was also active in the Greater Fall River Association for Retarded Citizens and in the Fall River United Way. He also was on the board of the Fall River Community Development Advisory Group.

He leaves a brother, Charles Wolf of Rockville Center, N.Y.; a sister, Joan Reimer of St. James, N.Y.; and nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass will be said at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Holy Name Church on Hanover Street.