

Fr. Paschal Hardy

LOMPOC — A wake service and mass for Father Paschal Hardy, 56, Pastor of Queen of Angels Catholic Church in Lompoc, will be 7 p.m. Monday at the church. A Mass of Christian Burial will be concelebrated 11 a.m. Tuesday at the church with Bishop G. Patrick Ziemann officiating. Burial will follow at Lompoc Cemetery.

Rev. Hardy was born June 24, 1932 in Foxford, County Mayo, Ireland. A graduate of Mount Mellery Seminary in Waterford, Ireland, he came to the United States in 1952. He continued his studies at St. John's Seminary in Camarillo and he was ordained April 25, 1956 at St. Vibiana's Cathedral, Los Angeles.

A member of the Los Angeles Archdiocese, Rev. Hardy served a number of Los Angeles and Orange County parishes before his assignment to Queen of Angels Church in July 1980. He was involved in numerous community and social causes which included the United Farm Workers, Amnesty International, Bishop's Relief Fund, Lompoc Community Labor Coalition, Shelter Services for Women and the North County Community Project. An avid and spirited man for social justice, Rev. Hardy died Friday evening at his home in the church's rectory following a lengthy illness.

Survivors include two brothers, Patrick S. McGuinness and Robert E. Hardy, M.D. both of Rancho Palos Verdes and 14 nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, masses may be celebrated for Rev. Hardy or contributions may be made to Catholic Charities, Shelter Services for Women or the North County Community Project.

Arrangements are directed by Starbuck-Lind Mortuary.