

Rev. Raymond Conlin, Clifton priest, 54

Rev. Raymond E. Conlin, 54, of Clifton died yesterday in the Rectory of St. Philip the Apostle Church, Clifton.

A Mass will be offered at 10 a.m. Tuesday in St. Philip the Apostle Church, Clifton. Arrangements are by the Bizub-Quinlan Funeral Home, Clifton.

Born in Brooklyn, Father Conlin was a graduate of St. Mary of the Plains in Dodge City, Kan., in 1969 with a degree in theater arts. He then studied theology at St. Francis Seminary in Loretto, Pa. He served his deacon internship at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Whippany.

Father Conlin was ordained to the priesthood for the diocese of Paterson on May 24, 1978. His first Mass of Thanksgiving was

celebrated at Our Lady of Mercy Church in Whippany on May 27, 1978, with his brother, Rev. Robert Conlin, concelebrating.

Throughout his priesthood, he served at St. Monica's Church, Sussex; Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Wayne; Our Lady of the Valley Church, Wayne; St. Mary's Church, Denville; Our Lady of the Lake Church, Sparta; St. Vincent Martyr Church, Madison; St. Andrew's Church, Clifton; Holy Cross Church, New York City and, since 1995, at St. Philip the Apostle Church.

Also surviving are three other brothers, Lawrence, Edward and Richard, and two sisters, Mrs. Margaret Jones and Mrs. Joan Fowler.