

## Father John Olivier, SS dies in Maryland

Father John Henry Olivier, SS, 93, died April 12 in Catonsville, Maryland where he had been in retirement at St. Charles Villa since 2000.

Born in Marquette, Michigan Feb. 17, 1920, he was ordained to the priesthood in Detroit for the Diocese of Marquette on May 31, 1947, and was admitted to the Society of St. Sulpice in 1952.

He studied at St. Mary Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland, 1944-1947, where he earned a Bachelor of Sacred Theology (STB) degree. He joined the faculty of St. Joseph College, Mtn. View, CA where he taught and then became vice president.

In 1965, Father Olivier joined the faculty of St. Patrick Seminary and University in Menlo Park, CA followed by serving as associate pastor at a number of parishes including, in the Diocese of San Jose, St. Martin in Sunnyvale, St. Joseph of Cupertino, St. William in Los Altos, St. Albert the Great and St. Thomas Aquinas in Palo Alto, and Santa Teresa in San Jose.

In early 1983 he was named Associate Director for Worship for the Diocese of San Jose with primary responsibility for the planning and preparation of all diocesan-sponsored liturgical events. Father Olivier continued to compose and perform music and also was an instructor in homiletics at St. Patrick Seminary.

He began retirement in 1993 in California and then moved to the Sul-

pician retirement home in Maryland. A Memorial Mass was celebrated April 20 at St. Martin's Home for the Aged in Catonsville; interment at the Sulpician Cemetery Columbarium in Catonsville.

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