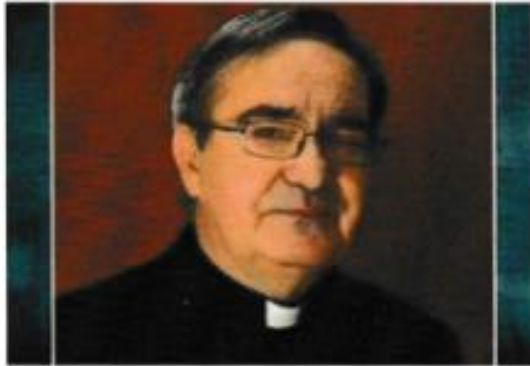


Mass of Christian Burial
for
Rev. Andrew G. Marus



December 1, 1945 ~ March 26, 2018
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Holy Name of Jesus Church
1950 Barnum Avenue, Stratford, CT
Reverend Mariusz M. Olbrys, Administrator



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Entrance Hymn: "Sing with all the Saints in Glory" # 611

Introduction and Greeting: Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23

"The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want."

Second Reading: Corinthians 15:20-23, 24-28

Gospel Acclamation:

"Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!"

Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-16, 28-35

Homily: Msgr. William Scheyd

Prayer of the Faithful:

Response: "Lord hear our prayer"

Hymn during the preparation of the gifts:

"You are Mine" #457

*We will sing the Heritage Mass Settings
found at #885 in the Breaking Bread*

The Lord's Prayer and Exchange of the Sign of Peace

Communion Meditation: "Ave Maria"

Communion Hymn: "I am the Bread of Life" #364

Words of Remembrance

Closing Prayers and Final Blessing: Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

Final Commendation: Rev. Mariusz Olbrys

Song of Final Commendation: "Song of Farewell"

Recessional Hymn: "For All the Saints" #723

We thank all the participants in today's Mass:

Celebrant: Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

Homilist: Msgr. William Scheyd

Master of Ceremonies: Rev. Francisco Gomez

Assisting Deacons

Michael Saranich
William Bissenden

Altar Servers:

John Mako
Veronika Sabados

Organist: Michael Petreycik

Soloist: Nina DeMasi

Lectors:

John Tkacik and Marion Rader

Presenting the Gifts:

Mary Ann Marus and Marianne Chedister

Words of Remembrance:

James Chedister

Pallbearers:

James Chedister
Armand Majewski
Greg Moreau
Robert Samudosky
James Samudosky
Chris Silhavey
Larry Wells



**A MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR CUNEO TO HOLY NAME OF JESUS
PARISH: REFLECTIONS ON THE DAY OF FUNERAL MASS FOR
PASTOR FR. ANDY MARUS**

On this Easter Monday morning the snow storm prevented my participation at the Mass of Christian Burial for our Pastor, Fr. Andy Marus. I did, however, I offer Mass today privately for Father Andy, for Mary Ann Marus and family and for Holy Name of Jesus Parish. After sharing almost fifteen years with Fr. Andy at Holy Name, I want to offer a few personal reflections:

Often Father Andy seemed hesitant to socialize, a bit uncomfortable in communication and administration. It is important for me, however, to tell you that I witnessed very sensitive and sympathetic qualities in his personality. For example, he would tell stories of pastoral calls he made through his priesthood. Tears came to his eyes, as he described certain sad situations of people who called him for emergency pastoral services. He still remembers those personal ministries. On many occasions, when we would watch television, if a scene of heart-breaking drama appeared, again Father grew silently emotional. In other words, his feelings connected with people, even when his words did not come forth readily.

Sometimes Father Andy would respond curtly when he was suddenly confronted with a complaint about some problem in the Church. On the other hand, in dealing with the persons who were facing emotional dilemmas or sacramental issues, Father was quietly merciful in his approach. He did not crush the bruised reed.

Father Andy was also very smart, well-read, enjoyed great knowledge and interest in sports, world history and current events. We spent many meals together thoughtfully discussing theology, philosophy, Scripture, Canon Law, or ecclesiastical issues and liturgical practices. He also readily appreciated humor, a good laugh.

Let me offer a summary reflection this way: Sometimes it was difficult not to be frustrated with Father Andy. On the other hand, it was almost impossible not to love him and want to work with him at Holy Name of Jesus Parish.

May Father Andy rest in peace forever with the Lord. May he be free to experience the full joy of his personal qualities before God and God's people in Heaven and we hope prays for us. Amen.

Rev Msgr J James Cuneo

April 2, 2018