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Rev. David J. Peter, 76, pastor of Our Lady of the Rosary Church in Niagara Falls

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The Rev. David J. Peter, a Catholic priest, died Monday in Brothers of Mercy Nursing & Rehabilitation Center, Clarence. He was 76.

Born in Buffalo, he attended the Diocesan Preparatory Seminary in Buffalo, both for high school and college. He also attended Our Lady of Angels Seminary at Niagara University and St. John Vianney Seminary in East Aurora.

Father Peter was ordained on May 21, 1966, in St. Joseph New's Cathedral.

Over the years, he held various assignments. He began as a missionary apostolate in 1966 at St. Frances Cabrini in Collins Center. He also served as an assistant pastor at several churches in the Diocese of Buffalo, including

at the former St. Mary's Catholic Church, Lockport; the formerly named St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Niagara Falls; St. James Catholic Church, Buffalo; St. Agatha's Catholic Church, Buffalo; St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Lockport and the former St. Edmund's Catholic Church, City of Tonawanda.

Father Peter was a pastor at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Forestville, St. Francis Xavier, Buffalo and St. Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Eden. He was an administrator at Immaculate Conception Church, Ransomville and a parochial vicar at Infant of Prague Catholic Church, Cheektowaga. His last assignment in 2000 was as pastor of Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church, Niagara Falls.

He is survived by a brother, Norman, and two sisters, Carol Peter-Tabone and Lorraine Sebian.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be offered at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 2100 Baseline Road, Grand Island.

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