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FATHER MICHAEL JOHN KUNDRAT Our Second Pastor, 1980-1984

Father Mike was born on March 6, 1914, in Riverton, Illinois. He attended schools in Omaha, Nebraska where he developed an interest in and love for the American Indian, Detroit's St. Bernard School, Sacred Heart Seminary High School and College and Mt. St. Mary Seminary in Norwood, Ohio, which Fr. Mike fondly remembers as "the Rock". He was ordained June 7, 1941, in Detroit.

Fr. Kundrat served as associate pastor at Detroit's Guardian Angels, Dearborn's St. Clement, Detroit's St. Raymond, and Detroit's Nativity Parishes.

He was summer chaplain for the St. Vincent dePaul camps and administrator at Divine Providence Parish (Lithuanian) in Detroit from 1955-1974.

Father Mike was pastor of All Saints Parish, Memphis, from 1974 until 1980, during which time he also served as vicar of the Belle River Vicariate.

In 1980, Fr. Mike was named as pastor of our parish. He retired in 1984 and now resides in Ypsilanti, Michigan.



June 30, 1957 — the young priest present at our Ground Breaking was to become the second pastor of St. John Bosco's 23 years later. That's Fr. Michael J. Kundrat in the far left of the picture.











