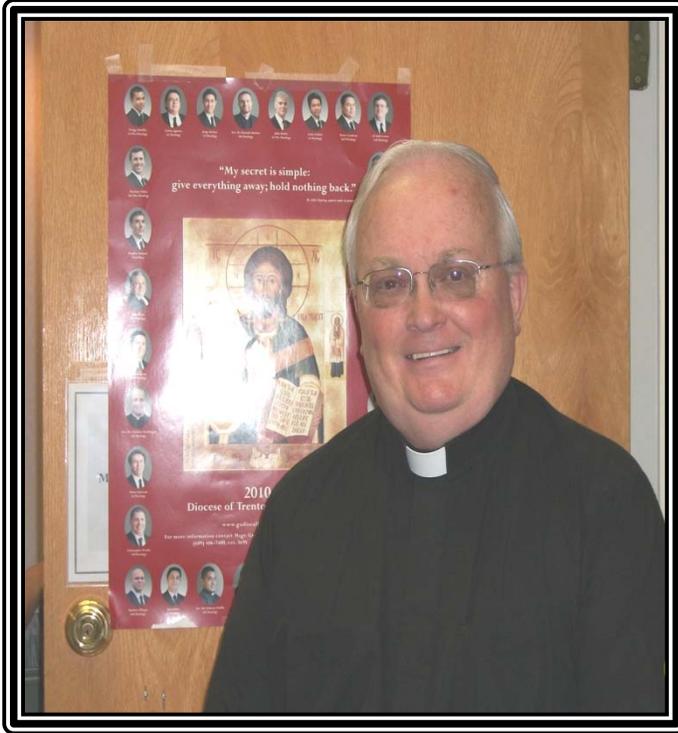


Father Mark Thomas Devlin

Father Mark Thomas Devlin was born in the Ironbound ("Down Neck") section of Newark in 1949, the eldest of three sons and second of the five children of



Thomas and Genevieve (nee Galuszka) Devlin. He attended and graduated from St. Casimir School in 1963, and prepared for the priesthood and religious life at Salesian Jr. Seminary, Goshen, NY, Don Bosco College, Newton, NJ, and the Pontifical College Josephinum, Worthington, OH. He professed as a member of the Society of St. Francis de Sales ("Salesians of Don Bosco") in 1968 and served as a full-time Catholic high school teacher from 1972 until 1974 at Salesian Prep in Cedar Lake, Indiana, near Chicago and at Archbishop Shaw High School in Marrero, Louisiana, across the Mississippi from New Orleans.

Following ordination in 1979, Father Mark served as a full-time teacher of theology, English, and history, as well as a stint as youth minister at Archbishop Shaw High School, Marrero, LA (1979-1983, 1989-1997), Don Bosco Technical High School, Boston, MA (1983-1984), and Don Bosco Prep, Ramsey, NJ (1985-1989). Father Devlin served as parochial vicar at Ascension of Our Lord Parish in LaPlace, LA (1984-1985). From 1969 until 1996 Father Mark was assigned to summer work as a hospital chaplain in Miami, FL, and as a camp counselor in Newton, NJ, Goshen, NY, Ipswich, MA, West Haverstraw, NY, New Rochelle, NY, and East Boston, MA.

On June 13, 1997, Father Mark began full-time parish ministry in the Trenton diocese and has served as parochial vicar at St. Barnabas Parish in Bayville (1997-1998), St. Mary of the Lakes Parish, Medford (1998-2002), St. Theresa Parish, Tuckerton & Little Egg Harbor (2002-2004), St. Leo the Great Parish, Lincroft (2004-2005), temporary administrator at Sacred Heart Parish, Bay Head (2005), administrator at St. Alphonsus Parish, Hopewell (2008-2009), part-time chaplain at St. John Vianney High School and part-time parochial vicar at St. Benedict Parish, Holmdel (2005-2006), and parochial vicar at St. Mary of the Lake Parish, Lakewood (2006-2008). In June of 2009 he was appointed as administrator of Holy Family Parish, Union Beach & Hazlet and in June of 2010 named pastor of Holy Family Parish.