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DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR

November 26, 2020

Dear Fathers, Deacons, Parish Director, Lay Leaders/Business Administrators, Sisters and Diocesan Staff,

The Chancery received word that **REV. EUGENE H. HORNUNG**, age 89 years, died Monday, November 23, 2020, at the WI Veterans Home, Chippewa Falls, WI. Funeral Services will be held at a later date. **Fr. Gene** was born in Marathon, WI on January 25, 1931 and attended St. Mary Grade School, Marathon, Salvatorian Seminary, St. Nazianz. Other education includes a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education. Prior to becoming a priest, he enlisted in the Navy and after serving four (4) years, he returned home to farm and later married Delores with their union producing two children – Greg and Mark. **Fr. Gene** re-enlisted in the Navy and retired after serving an additional twenty-one (21) years. Delores died in 2000, after suffering from cancer for 14 years.

A few years following Delores' death and at 72 years of age, <u>Fr. Gene</u> entered the Sacred Heart School of Theology, Hales Corner and was ordained to the Sacred Order of the Priesthood at St. Anthony Church, Cumberland, WI, on July 13, 2003, by Most Rev. Raphael Fliss, Bishop of the Diocese of Superior.

FR. GENE'S Parochial and *Diocesan* appointments are listed below:

July 2003 Assisting Priest at the parishes of St. Pius X, Solon Springs; St. Anthony of Padua,

Gordon; St. Mary, Minong

September 2003 Senior Priest at the parishes of St. Anthony Abbot, Cumberland; Sacred Heart of

Jesus, Almena; St. Ann, Turtle Lake

February 2004 *Parochial Administrator* at the parishes of St. Anne, Boulder Junction; St. Rita,

Presque Isle; St. Mary, Sayner

January 2005 Appointed Moderator of the Superior Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

July 2008 Parochial Vicar of the parishes of St. Joseph, Barron; St. Peter, Cameron; St. Boniface,

Chetek

November 2008 Retired from active priestly ministry.

Please keep the soul of **FR. GENE** as well as his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers. If you wish to send sympathy cards/letters, please send them to **FR. GENE'S** son, Mark:

Mr. Mark Hornung 43 South 11th Street Barron, WI 54812

Eternal rest grant unto <u>FR. EUGENE HORNUNG</u>, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Members of the Purgatorial Society are asked to please offer the customary three Masses for the repose of the soul of <u>Rev. Eugene Hornung</u>.

May you enjoy a blessed Advent Season,

Debra J. Lieberg

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