## Rev. Michael J. Higgins

Father Higgins grew up in Dorchester, the son of Michael J. and Annie (Geehan) Higgins.

He was ordained on February 2, 1962 at the Cathedral by Cardinal Cushing. He offered his first Mass on February 4 at St. Peter Church in Dorchester.

His assignments included:

St. Benedict, Somerville; 1962-1967

Immaculate Conception, Everett; 1967-1979

St. John the Evangelist, Winthrop; 1979-1990

St. Florence, Wakefield; 1990-1996

He was granted senior priest/retirement status in June, 2001.

He died on August 22, 2001 at Youville House in Cambridge after a lengthy illness. He was 65. The Most Rev. Richard J. Malone presided at his funeral Mass on August 27 at St. Margaret Mary Church in Westwood. The eulogy was pronounced by his classmate, Fr. James McGowan. He was laid to rest at New Westwood Cemetery.