



Rev. Thomas P. O'Neill OSFS

January 15, 1930 - September 21, 2015

Fr. Tom O'Neill, OSFS, passed away peacefully on September 21, 2015 at Rosary Care Center, Toledo, OH. He was born to Agnes (Schmitt) and Thomas O'Neill on January 15, 1930 in Philadelphia, PA. After joining the Oblates of St. Francis de Sales in 1948, he studied philosophy, theology and mathematics, earning degrees from Catholic University of America in 1954 and 1956. Fr. Tom was ordained to the priesthood in 1957. At the time of his passing, he was 85 years old, 67 years professed and 58 years ordained.

The eldest of five children, Fr. Tom is remembered as a wonderful brother, chef and teacher. After ordination he taught at DeSales HS in Lockport, NY and then taught and served as principal of Judge Memorial HS in Salt Lake City, Utah and St. Mary's HS in Stockton, CA. From 1978-2002 he taught math and was Academic Dean at St. Francis de Sales HS in Toledo, OH. He was an outstanding teacher who prepared students well for AP exams and college math courses.

Fr. Tom was preceded in death by his brother Joseph O'Neill and sister Margaret Depiano. He is survived by his brothers John and Fr. Jim O'Neill, OSFS.

Services are scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, 2015 at Gesu Church, 2049 Parkside Blvd. Toledo, OH. Visitation will begin in the church at 5 PM

and the Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 7 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Francis de Sales High School.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue
Toledo, OH 43615

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 23. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gesu Church
2049 Parkside Blvd.
Toledo, OH

Funeral

SEP 23. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gesu Church
2049 Parkside Blvd.
Toledo, OH

Tribute Wall

JM

“*Father Tom was one of the best teachers I have ever had. How anyone could make calculus fun I will never understand. He was a role model for so many. He was a personal friend not only to me but my family. My wife and I had the honor of him concelebrating our wedding as well as Baptizing our first son, Michael. He was such an important part of our lives for so many years. Not a day has gone by without thinking about him, and our thoughts and prayers will be with him always.*

Jamie Slandzicki MD, class of 1985

Jamie Slandzicki MD - October 04, 2015 at 05:47 PM

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“*Father Thomas O'Neill was an outstanding mentor to his younger brother, Father Jim O'Neill. Our family was blessed to have Father Jim as our parish priest at St. Paul's the Apostle in Greensboro, North Carolina. Father Jim provided many years of leadership and pastoral care. With heartfelt sympathy, Frankie and John Olmsted*

Dr. John and Frankie Olmsted - September 27, 2015 at 07:29 AM

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“*Father O'Neill inspired so many of us to live better and pursue excellence. His legacy will continue on through the actions of the men who were blessed to be his students.*



Adam T. Perzynski, PhD SFS '94 - September 24, 2015 at 09:04 PM

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“ I was fortunate enough to be one of the last students who got to take Calculus with Fr. O'Neill while at St. Francis. He was a great teacher who drove his students to be better. It pains me to hear of his loss.

Michael DeLapp '03 - September 23, 2015 at 03:21 PM

BB

“ I send sincere condolences to the family, especially Jimmy who I knew best. The O'Neill's were good friends of the Ruhm Family.
Becky Ruhm Bishop

Becky Bishop - September 23, 2015 at 11:58 AM

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“ Fr O'Neill taught Calculus at St Francis and was Dean while I was there. He was a great teacher and also a good friend. I remember his huge Mothers Club brunches as well. He would ask students to serve as waiters at it and we had a great time. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

(The Rev.) Robert F. Solon, Jr., SFS '85 - September 22, 2015 at 10:03 PM

BJ

“ Father O'Neill also taught Math for Elementary Teachers at U.T. I was privileged to take his class. He was a excellent teacher and explained a lot about mathematics that made it easier to understand. He was a kind and brilliant servant of the Lord.



Beverly Johnson - September 22, 2015 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Father Tom was a very influential person in my life. He was humble, spiritual and always good for a laugh. I will miss looking forward to those unexpected run-ins. He will truly be missed. I will keep him forever in my prayers. I sure the Good Lord is tickled to have him.*
God Bless Nancy Eade

Nancy Eade - September 22, 2015 at 11:03 AM