

Diocesan Necrology

2019

Let Light Perpetual Shine Upon Them!

The Rev'd Roger Craig "Jude" Bell; Priest in the Diocese of Eau Claire; Fr. Jude was ordained as priest by Bp. Horstick in 1956, serving as a curate, then vicar at St. Simeon's Church in Lafayette from 1957-63. After eight years in the Diocese of Pittsburgh, Fr. Bell joined the community of St. Gregory's Abbey in Three Rivers, Michigan, taking the name "Jude." From 1973-2016, he edited the Abbey Letter, and was a central figure in the Abbey's hospitality.

Mr. Hugh Greenfield "Bud" Francis; Hugh has been a member of the Diocese of Eau Claire since 1982. A CPA by trade, he served in several financial roles throughout the Diocese, most recently as the treasurer for Christ Church Cathedral for 6 years.

Col. Robert J. Gadwell, USMC; Bob was a longtime member of Christ Church Cathedral, beginning in 1989. He was a Marine, a member of the Eau Claire Energy Cooperative, and President of the local Military Officers Association of America. His tireless efforts as the Vice-President of the Buffington Board of Governors held to shape a major part of Diocesan life over three decades.

The Rev'd Claudia Sue McGonigle Hogan; Deacon, St. Simeon's, Lafayette; Deacon Hogan was a scientist, musician and activist whose secular life included work as a computer programmer, veterinary technician, and mentoring coordinator. She was heavily involved in Ham Radio construction and operation, camping, and community music groups throughout the Chippewa Valley. She served the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Eau Claire as a Deacon for nearly 30 years.