

# Rev. A. Paul Gallivan Former pastor in Braintree; 79

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From 1969 to 1974, he was pastor of St. Michael Parish in Avon. From 1974 until his retirement in 1981, he was assigned to St. Clare.

Born in Boston, he was one of six children of Irish immigrant parents. In 1935 he graduated from Boston Latin High School.

From there he went on to Boston College, where he originally majored in pre-med. An interest in social work led to a change of direction and in his senior year he decided to enter the priesthood. He was ordained in 1943 after graduating from St. John's Seminary.

A member of the Boston Park League Hall of Fame, he was also a past chairman of the graduate athletic board at Boston College.

He leaves many nephews and nieces.

A funeral Mass will be said tomorrow at 10 a.m. in St. Francis Xavier Cabrini Church in Scituate. The principal celebrant will be Cardinal Bernard Law. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery in West Roxbury.

## Illustration

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