

REV. TOSELLO O. GIANGIACOMO, C.S.Sp.

Rev. Tosello Giangiacomo, C.S.Sp., 92, died February 17, 2013 in Orocovis, Puerto Rico.

Father Giangiacomo was born November 3, 1920 In Fresagrandinarra, Italy. He started his primary studies in Italy and continued them in Pottstown PA after his family moved to America. He professed his vows to the Religious Life, August 15, 1943 at Holy Ghost Novitiate, Ridgefield CT and was ordained to the priesthood June 10, 1948 at St. Mary Seminary, Ferndale, Norwalk CT.

Following his Ordination to the Priesthood in 1949 he was assigned to the missions of Puerto Rico where he spent his entire religious life. He worked in Arecibo (1949-1951) and at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Barceloneta (1951-1953). Early November 1953 he was transferred back to Arecibo and taught in San Felipe School. While there he built three chapels, one was dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima which today is a parish. He ministered there until 1966. In January 1967 he was named Interim Vice-President and in 1975 Vice-President for Academic Affairs at the Catholic University of Puerto Rico while also helping with ministry at the missions in Salinas and Arecibo until 1985 when he was officially installed as President of the University. He retired from the University in 1996 but continued to work there for two years on a part-time basis. In 1997 he returned to parish ministry and was named Pastor of Our Lady of Fatima, Orocovis and later in 2001, Assistant of the parish.

Fr. Tosello is survived by his sister, Mrs. Mary Finn of Pottstown PA.