



**Rev. John F. Quinn
Inducted 1999**

What can you say about a leprechaun? The LEPRECHAUN of White Plains and Armonk? "Leprechaun" because of the knowing twinkle in his eye, always the promise of a pot of golden friendship and a great laugh to be shared by all.

Unlike many leprechauns, we know some of his past. He was born and reared in the Bronx, Born to John and Margaret Quinn on May 21, 1945. His grandparents were from Garryowen, Limerick City (NOTE: no neighbors to the McCorts); Kiltimagh, County Mayo and from the other side of the world, Ballarat, Victoria, Australia, where Australian independence was first declared and the Southern Cross first raised. He holds dual citizenship in the USA and Ireland.

A noted Westchester educator, Fr. Quinn was himself educated in the Bronx at St. Luke's Elementary School-1959, Cardinal Hayes High School-1963, Fordham College-BA in History 1967, St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers-Master of Divinity 1970, Fordham University MA in History-1 973. He was ordained a priest for the people of the Archdiocese of NewYork by Terence Cardinal Cooke on May 29", 1971 with 17 other deacons.

As a deacon, he was assigned to St. Anthony's in Nepera Park, Yonkers. After priestly ordination he was assigned to St. Joseph's Parish in Spring Valley. In 1973, he joined the faculty of Archbishop Stepinac High School. In 1985, he joined the faculty of Maria Regina High School. In both schools, he was the chairman of the Religion Departments. During those 17 years, Father Quinn was the visiting Weekend Associate at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish in White Plains. While involved in all this "work in the Lord's Vineyard", he was also a member of the West Point Review Board, Chaplain of the White Plains Police, Fire and Volunteer Fire Departments, Chaplain of the Daughters of America-Court Regina Coeli, a participant in S.H.O.R.E. and White Plains Ecumenical Pantry, and is Chaplain of Marymount Convent in Tarrytown. After many years ministering in the field of education, in 1995 he became the proud Pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Armonk, New York.

So now you know why from Tottenville, Staten Island to Tivoli, upstate New York, Father Quinn is recognized wherever he goes.

And also, now you know why Archbishop Stepinac High School is proud to recognize our own "leprechaun" as we welcome him into the Hall of Fame and pledge him our prayers and support for many more fruitful years of work for the Lord in his vineyard.