



Marinus Chijioke Ikechi Iwuchukwu

November 25, 1963 - January 17, 2023

Late Prof. Marinus Chijioke Ikechi Iwuchukwu was born in Kano State Northwest Nigeria on 25th November 1963 to the family of Mr. & Mrs. Aloysius Ikechi Iwuchukwu. He started his early primary school education in 1971 in St. Thomas primary school Kano and got his first school leaving certificate in 1978 from where he secured admission into St. Joseph Minor Seminary Zaria Kaduna State the same year, he lost his father to the cold hands of death in 1981 while still in secondary school (high school), and upon graduating from the Minor Seminary in 1983, he gained admissions into St. Augustine Major Seminary Jos plateau State, after completing his training into Priesthood he was ordained a Catholic Priest on 1st December 1990 at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church Kano. He served in various parishes under Kano Diocese, the last parish he served in Kano before traveling overseas was St. Stephen Chaplaincy Bayero University Kano where he also doubled as a Christian Religious Studies Lecturer at the Federal College of Education Kano from 1992 to 2003, he rose to the rank of Vicar General in Kano Diocese before traveling overseas in all he served as for 25 years as a Catholic Clergy before he put aside the Sultan and opted for the present scholarly profession.

He earned a Diploma in Religious Studies from The University of Ibadan, Nigeria in 1986;

B.S in Sacred Theology from Urbanian University, Rome Italy in 1990;

Post-Graduate Diploma in Education from Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, Nigeria in 1996;

M.A in Journalism from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, USA in 1998;

PhD in Theology and Society from Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, USA in 2008.

After arriving to the USA, he worked as an Adjunct Professor, Business Communication Northcentral Technical College, Wausau, WI, in the Summer of 2003;

Then as an Adjunct Teacher, 9th through 12th Grades at Trinity Academy High School, Pewaukee, WI from 2003 to 2005;

An Adjunct Professor in Communication, Equal Opportunity Program Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, in the summer of 2004/2005;

An Adjunct Professor, Journalism Department Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI, in Spring of 2008;

An Assistant Professor, Theology Department Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA from 2008-2014;

Adjunct Professor, Fundamentals of Technical Writing and Communication Summer classes - University of Phoenix Online from 2009-2016;

He was appointed the honorary position of Visiting Research Fellow in the department of Theology and Religious Studies of University of Chester, Chester, England from 2016 to date;

He rose to the position of an Associate Professor, Theology Department, Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA from 2014 to date;

He became the "Chair", Theology Department, Duquesne University from. July 2016 to June 2022.

He has many books and publications accredited to him as well as possessing professional membership of many professional organizations and societies.

He got married to Charite Dunn, they got divorced in January 2023. He met his untimely death

on 17th January 2023 at his residence in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania.

We his family are heartbroken and saddened at his untimely death especially to our mom, she is in a terrible state of shock and grief on learning about this tragic incident. We take our consolation in God Almighty. He is survived by his aged mother and siblings.

Adieu beloved brother, may your rest in the blossom The Most High.

Farewell my brother, God loves you more.

Signed: Iwuchukwu Chinyereugo (Brother)

For the family

Cemetery Details

Private Interment

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Chapel of the Holy Spirit at Duquesne University
600 McAnulty Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15282

Tribute Wall

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“ I lost a loving father, brother and mentor. His selfless sacrifices to me and so many people is something I will hold dearly to my heart. Its all memories now. I will forever be proud of you. I am still in shock about your death. I have asked God for strength to help me through this trying times. Adieu My Padre.

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