



Fr. James A. Sadowsky, SJ was born in Brooklyn, NY, the son of Michael and Viola (Smith) Sadowsky. He attended Boys High School and Cathedral Prep in Brooklyn. In 1942 he attended Fordham University where he earned a B.A. degree in 1946. For one year he taught Latin & Algebra at St. Peter's Prep, Jersey City. Then in 1947 he entered St.

Andrew-on-Hudson to begin his Jesuit life. In the novitiate, since he had his college degree, he tutored other novices.

Jim went to Woodstock College in 1949 where, in 1951, he earned a Licentiate in Philosophy and then went to LeMoyné College in Syracuse to teach Logic, Metaphysics and Natural Theology. He had a reputation of being shy and reserved, but he always asked the tough questions.

In 1954 Jim travelled to Eegenhoven in Belgium where he studied Theology and was ordained to the priesthood. With a Licentiate in Theology in hand, Jim returned to the United States in 1958 to make his tertianship in Auriesville, NY. In 1959 he spent a year in Beirut Lebanon teaching Dogmatic Theology at St. Joseph's University. One of his students was a young Jesuit named Peter-Hans Kolvenbach.

In 1960 Jim began a 38-year career at Fordham University teaching Logic, Theology and Philosophy. For many years he taught Theology in the Fordham Business School. In addition to this Jim served as co-president of the Theology Division, Assistant Editor of the *International Philosophy Quarterly* and, in 1997 was visiting professor at Blackfriars College, Oxford, England.

In 1998 Jim became professor Emeritus of Philosophy at Fordham, residing in Loyola Hall and in October of 2011 Jim moved to Murray-Weigel Hall to pray for the Society of Jesus and the Church. A quiet and solitary man, Jim often had a smile and sometimes a little joke to brighten up your day. He died quietly in his sleep. May his good soul enjoy the banquet that God has prepared for him.