

Slafkosky, Andrew L.

### Local Navy Chaplain On Emergency Leave To Visit Ill Mother

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Lieut. Andrew L. Slafkosky, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Slafkosky of this city, has returned to his home here, 722 Hillside Ave., on emergency leave to visit his mother, who is seriously ill.

The Navy chaplain, attached to the Sixth Marine Division in Tsingtao, China, was formerly an instructor and athletic assistant at Allentown Central Catholic High School. In his two years' service he was on duty at the Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla., before being sent overseas with the Leatherneck divi-

sion. He saw duty in the Okinawa battle before going on to China.

Known to Marines as "Father Andy", the local priest was graduated from Bethlehem Catholic High School before entering St. Charles Borromeo Seminary. Ordained in 1939, Father Slafkosky did graduate work at Catholic University, Washington, D. C. He holds a doctorate in canon law.

The local priest will resume his duties at the Allentown school after he is discharged from the Navy.

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