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St. Michael's Convent  
Bernharts  
Reading, Pa.

March 14, 1957

Dear Sisters:

This morning the Sacred Heart of Jesus called our dear Sister M. Sabina to Himself. Simple and unassuming as she had been in life, she passed away. Her last days especially were devoted to the service of others. There was so much to be done as Sisters and guests were laid down with the flu. She offered her willing services and substituted for those unable to perform their duties. This morning, after the first Mass, she left chapel and asked to lie down because she "was not feeling well". Her temperature being normal, she ate a light breakfast. She had no special complaint, just not feeling well. When Sister M. Angelina stepped into her room after a while to check again on the temperature, Sister M. Sabina had just passed away. She was yet anointed, though. The doctor diagnosed heart failure.

Sister M. Sabina, Catharina Westhoff  
Born April 3, 1890 at Raesfeld, Westphalia  
Entered our Congregation May 20, 1912  
Reception December 8, 1912  
First Profession December 8, 1913  
Final Profession November 22, 1919  
Died in Wellsburg March 14, 1957

Our dear Sister M. Sabina spent her entire religious life in the humble capacity of a "Martha". She was untiring in performing her domestic duties and in giving joy to others. Always cheerful, happy, childlike, grateful, and devoted to her religious family, most of her years, with the exception of a year in Nazareth and Lansford, were spent in the Houses in the Middle West - Columbus, Cincinnati, Dayton, and since 1942 in Wellsburg.

Now our dear Sister may rest at the Heart of Jesus and enjoy the reward He has promised to simple, humble souls. We will help Sister to attain this heavenly reward by our prayers and sacrifices.

Sister M. Sabina will be put to rest at St. Michael's Convent cemetery on Monday, March 18. We trust that dear St. Joseph, to whom she had a great devotion, will conduct his faithful client to the celebration of his feastday in Heaven.

Yours in Corde Jesu,

Mother M. Hildburg, M.S.C.