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November 11, 1972

"A wise virgin - one whom the Lord found watching".

(Lauds - St. Frances Cabrini)

Dear Sisters,

Our divine Lord has again called another one of His faithful spouses to Himself, when He received into His Kingdom the purified soul of our dear Sister M. Bona

Sister M. Bona - Elizabeth Elpers Born August 24, 1898 at Borghorst, Germany Entered the Congregation November 30, 1922 First Profession December 1, 1923 Died November 11, 1972 in Pottsville

Since 1924 Sister M. Bona has been active in several of our missions. Her last assignment in 1957 was to work in the pharmacy of Good Samaritan Hospital, Pottsville, Pa., where, as in all her previous assignments, she lovingly and faithfully performed her duties, never shunning responsibility, never sparing herself. She lived her life quietly, in union with God and in peace and love with others.

Sister M. Bona has been in the real sense of the word a victim soul, suffering for many years from a rare blood disease, polycythemia (an excess of red blood cells), with the many symptoms and complications which characterize this illness. She bore her pain patiently with loving resignation, without complaint.

She prayed much in her life time; and especially during the last days of her life she prayed almost constantly, calling on Mary for help, begging that Jesus would come soon. Another beautiful Marian soul has gone Home on Mary's day, Saturday, October 11, 1972 at 11:10 a.m., to be our intercessor with God.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be offered for Sister M. Bona on Monday, November 13, 1972 at 4:00 p.m. After that she will be buried in the Motherhouse cemetery.

We will continue to remember our dear Sister in prayer and especially at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

In His Heart,

Sister M. Dacia, M.S.C.