

MAY THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS BE LOVED EVERYWHERE!

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"Father, into Your hands I commend My Spirit." (Lk.23 :46)

Dear Sisters,

Our Divine Savior took His faithful bride, our dear Sister M. Columba, to heaven on the anniversary of His own death.

Sister M. Columba, M.S.C. - Thekla Pott
Born May 21, 1891 in Lathen, Hanover
First Profession May 15, 1913
Died March 28, 1975 in Reading, Pa.

Sister M. Columba came to the U.S.A. in 1913. She entered the Sacred Heart Hospital School of Nursing, Allentown, Pa., in 1917 and was in the school's second graduating class. Sister has served the Lord in His people in most of our health care facilities as a nurse and later, as superior and hospital administrator. She was a faithful, prayerful religious, dedicated to her mission in the health apostolate. Since 1969 Sister was still helping as a general staff nurse at the Mt. Trexler Skilled Nursing Unit in Limeport, Pa., happy that she could continue to care for the patients. In February of last year she came to our Motherhouse infirmary, suffering from various gastrointestinal problems and arteriosclerotic heart disease.

of About two months ago the Lord asked Sister M. Columba to live in the Garden of Gethsemani. During this time she suffered intense physical and mental pain with resignation to His Will. She received the Sacrament of the Sick on March 25th. Yesterday, Holy Thursday, she was still able to receive Holy Communion, was conscious and calm in the evening and just quietly slept away at 1:15 a.m.

We have gained another friend in heaven, celebrating Easter with Our Risen Lord. Let us continue to remember our dear departed Sister especially at the Eucharistic Sacrifice. The funeral Mass will be on Monday, March 31st at 10:30 a.m.

In the Risen Lord,

Sister Mary Dacia, M.S.C.