ST. MICHAEL'S CONVENT HYDE PARK READING, PA., 19605

October 14, 1972

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. (Invit., Sat.Matins)

With these words of the Saturday office of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our dear Sister M. Gisela must have greeted our Mother Mary when she closed her eyes in death and opened them in heaven this morning.

Sister M. Gisela - Elizabeth Kramer
Born May 16, 1891 in Dorlar, Germany
Entered the Congregation June 29, 1917
First Profession December 8, 1918
Died October 14, 1972 in Good Samaritan Hospital
in Pottsville, Pa.

Sister M. Gisela came to the United States in November 1921. Shortly after her arrival she entered the School of Nursing at Sacred Heart Hospital, Allentown. As a registered nurse she was active mainly as supervisor in the operating room until her appointment as superior and administrator of the Sacred Heart Hospital. In the succeeding years she held this position in several of our health service institutions. During the past fifteen years she was at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Pottsville, Pa., working in the pharmacy as long as her failing health permitted

Sister M. Gisela performed her religious and professional duties zealously and conscientiously. She was a loyal Sister, deeply devoted to our Congregation, hard-working, always giving herself to others. She was a prayerful soul; her prayerlife was characterized by a deep and tender devotion to Our Lady. Mary presented her beautiful soul to God this morning at 4:50 a.m.

Sister M. Gisela's health has been rapidly failing during the past few months. Yesterday she received Holy Viaticum. After supper when Sister M. Elizabeth prayed with her, Sister renewed her holy vows. Then she asked for her rosary. After receiving some medication, she had a restful night, until she quietly fell asleep in the Lord at 4:50 a.m.

We have gained another friend in heaven who will be praying for us. Let us include our Sister in our prayers, even though we believe that she is already enjoying the Beatific Vision.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be on Tuesday, October 17, 1972 at 4:00 p.m. After that she will be buried in the Convent cemetery.

In the Heart of Christ, Sister M. Dacia, M.S.C.