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"He is my God, I praise Him."
(Exod. 15 - Morning Prayers)

Dear Sisters,

Today at 4:45 p.m., Sister Anacleto was called by her Beloved to the eternal praise of the Lord.



Sr. M. Anacleto
Edna Hoh
Born: April 23, 1900
First Profession: Nov. 24, 1919
Died: August 2, 1986

Sister Anacleto was born in Allentown and entered our congregation as an aspirant on September 30, 1916. In 1919, Sister began her ministry as a teacher in Ss. Cyril & Methodius School in Reading. After one year, she assisted in caring for the orphans at the Josephinum and then returned to teaching in Northampton. From 1922 until 1983, Sister ministered in various ways as organist in Lansford and Coaldale; as a pioneer in establishing the mission at Wellsburg; in domestic and clerical service at the motherhouse, Dayton and the Josephinum. The greatest part of her active ministry was in St. Mary's Hospital, where Sister labored in love for thirty-seven years. In 1983, Sister came to the motherhouse after she suffered a stroke. Cancer was diagnosed one and a half years ago and Sister's condition grew steadily worse.

Sister was a deeply prayerful soul who, in childlike simplicity, believed firmly; trusted implicitly; and loved totally. Her deep spirit of prayerful union with the Lord was attractive to others. During one of her hospital stays, the nurses on her floor had to be reminded that there were other patients to take care of, for they were spending so much time with Sister -- so eager were they to experience the peace and joy she radiated. She delighted in doing favors for others. Kind, simple, and gentle, it can truly be said that Sister Anacleto lived the words of Micah in that she acted justly, loved tenderly, and walked humbly with her God.

Many times Sister would say: "He is the only one I need." She lived these words today as she slipped into the eternal praise of her God without anyone in the room, although several persons had been with her only a few minutes before. In life and in death, God was truly "All" for Sister Anacleto.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated for Sister on Wednesday, August 6th at 11:00 a.m. Let us stay united with our dear Sister in prayer.

United in the love of Christ,

Sister M. Coanue, M.S.C.