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May 11, 1985

"Dawn finds me ready to welcome you, my God."

(Antiphon, Morning Praise)

Dear Sisters,

This morning at 6:30, the Lord welcomed our dear Sister Candida into His presence.

Sister M. Candida, MSC Elizabeth Schraeder Born: April 28, 1891

First Profession: December 11, 1920

Died: May 11, 1985

Sister Candida was born in Havixbeck, Westfalia, Germany. She came to America in 1920, just before her first profession.

For fifty years Sister served in the domestic apostolate in the following places: Dayton, Ohio; St. Henry, Philadelphia; Sacred Heart, Allentown; Cincinnati, Ohio; SS. Cyril & Methodius, Reading; St. Michael, Lansford; St. Peter, Coplay; Our Lady of Hungary, Northampton; and St. Michael, Reading. She retired in 1970 but continued to help with the work she loved and did so well, here at the Motherhouse.

In 1972 Sister fell and fractured a hip. She recovered from that injury and was in fairly good health until 1975 when she began to fail and had to be admitted to the infirmary. She remained a patient there for the past ten years.

Sister Candida's life was one of joyful dedication and loving service to others. She loved nature and found a special closeness to the Lord when outdoors among the flowers and fruits of the earth. As these were God's special gift to her, her life, in all its simplicity, was her gift to God. Though her death came unexpectedly this morning, I am sure the dawn found her ready to welcome Him.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated for Sister on Tuesday, May 14th at 4:00~p.m.

In the love of Our Lord,

Sister M. Thomasita, MSC