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"My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
my mouth shall praise you with joy."

(Ps. 62 - Feast of St. John the Baptist)

Dear Sisters,

On the morning of the Feast of St. John the Baptist, at around 6:10 a.m., our dear Sister Corbana experienced these words in their fullness when the Lord of Life called her into His eternal banquet.



Sister M. Corbana - Marie Reibert  
Born: November 7, 1906  
First Profession: September 10, 1929  
Entered into eternal life: June 24, 1988

Sister Corbana came to the United States in May of 1931. She and Sister Febronia both made first profession together and were assigned to the U.S. Province at the same time. Now just six weeks after the death of Sister Febronia, Sister Corbana follows her - united again.

Sister Corbana was a woman of prayer all her life but this became even more evident during her years of illness. She was very grateful when sisters prayed with her or would sing with her. At times when she would become restless, it would take only a hymn to Mary to quiet her and, when able, she herself would join in the singing.

Sister served in many of our apostolates: in Cincinnati, Wellsburg, Beacon, Dayton, Wedron, Limeport, and St. Michael's. She served the longest period of time in Wedron at St. Joseph Health Resort. In her ministry there it was very noticeable how much the employees and guests loved her. Although a woman of few words, she radiated joy, approaching people with kindness and gentleness. She placed the needs of others before her own, always ready and willing to help. She had a special talent for decorating which was evident on feastsdays and holydays at the Resort.

Sister came to St. Michael's in 1980 where she helped in the sewing room until her stroke in 1983 which left her paralyzed on one side. Over the past five years, sister became more and more incapacitated. However, her deep love for Mary and the hearing of her favorite hymn, "I love you, O Mary," always brought a response of quiet and peace.

Sister Corbana had a sister in our community serving in Papua New Guinea, Sister Lutberga. Sister died in Australia two years ago. Sister also has a cousin, Sister M. Henrita, MSC, working in an MSC parish in Madrid, Spain.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be offered on Monday, June 27, at 11:00 a.m. Burial will follow in the convent cemetery.

Let us rejoice in the life that Sister Corbana shared with us and let us remember her in loving prayer.

United in the Heart of Jesus,

*Sister M. Teresita, MSC*

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE MOST SACRED HEART