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"Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad
at the presence of the Lord for he comes."

Dear Sisters,

Last evening at about 9:30 p.m. the Lord came for our dear
Sister Irmgard.



Sister M. Irmgard, MSC
Hildegard Krings
Born: November 27, 1898
First Profession: May 16, 1920
Died: March 10, 1985

Sister Irmgard was the sister of our Sister M. Rosa, MSC
who died in Germany some years ago.

Sister came to America in 1921. Until 1934 she taught school
in SS. Cyril & Methodius, Reading, St. Henry, Philadelphia, and
SS. Cyril & Methodius, Coaldale. She was a dedicated teacher and
her love for children endeared them to her. However, after thirteen
years of teaching, Sister responded to a need in the Health Care
Ministry and was trained as a nurse. After graduation in 1935,
she served two years in Home Health Care in Chester, then she
continued this ministry in Norristown, Allentown, Limeport, and
Athens, Georgia.

When Sister's health began to fail and she was becoming
forgetful, she gave up her nursing duties. However she continued
a ministry of presence to patients in the hospital as well as to
grieving relatives. In 1979 Sister came to St. Michael's to
retire.

Sister Irmgard was a pleasant, cheerful person who was always
ready to perform a loving service.

During this past year Sister suffered from chest problems.
Early in February she was hospitalized with bronchitis. After
this she never really recovered her strength. Yesterday she had a
very peaceful day. In the evening she became extremely weak and
it was evident that the time for rejoicing had come for her.

Accompanied by the prayers of her Sisters, she peacefully returned her soul to the Lord who comes.

The Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated on Tuesday, March 12th at 3:30 p.m. We will continue to be united with Sister through prayer.

In the love of Our Lord,

Sister M. Thomasita, MSC