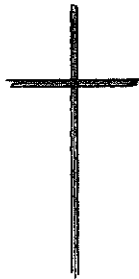


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"I am the resurrection and the life;
he who believes in me will never die."
(Liturgy of today)

Dear Sisters,

Today, for our dear Sister Virgilia, life was changed.



Sister M. Virgilia, M.S.C.
Maria Vogt
Born: June 28, 1899
First Profession: May 15, 1918
Died: April 8, 1984

Sister Virgilia came to America in 1920. She finished her studies and then served as a teacher in Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Reading, Lansford, Palmerton, and Coplay. After eleven years of teaching, Sister Virgilia entered the Health Care Ministry as a Medical Records Administrator. She performed her duties faithfully and meticulously for 47 years in St. Mary Hospital, Athens, Georgia, and in Good Samaritan Hospital, Pottsville. Although she was always somewhat frail, she did her job well, and even found time to be a good listener and friend to the women with whom she worked.

In 1977 Sister began to have episodes of temporary cerebral dysfunction. This, along with cerebral arteriosclerosis, caused her to become forgetful at times. In 1979 she joined the retirement community at Villa St. Elizabeth. Sister was well aware of her physical problem and her increasing loss of memory. She accepted all as God's will for her. Then about a year ago she fell and sustained a fractured wrist and pelvis. From the hospital she was transferred to the Motherhouse Infirmary.

The past year has been a difficult one for our Sister Virgilia. Today she was too weak to receive the Eucharist, but Father blessed her with the Ciborium. About 1:00 p.m. her breathing pattern changed, and then at 2:10 p.m. she peacefully went to claim the new life that is promised to all of us.

The funeral for Sister Virgilia will be held on Tuesday, April 10th, at 4:30 p.m. Let us continue to hold her in our hearts and prayers.

In the love of Our Lord,

Sister M. Theresita, M.S.C.