Sister Ann Bartos, O.S.F. (Vladimir)

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Born: April 8, 1906
Parents: Ferdinand and

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Entered from: St. Cyril and Methodius, Chicago, II.

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Postulancy: September 4, 1922 Novitiate: August 12, 1923

Profession: August 12, 1925

Died: Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home,

Joliet, IL at 2:05 a.m.

Ministry:

1924 - 1944 St. Procop, Cleveland, OH, Grades 2, 1
1944 - 1955 St. Procop High School, Cleveland, OH, Freshman Homeroom,

Latin, English, Religion, General Math, Home Economics/Foods

1955 - 1956 St. Mary, Des Plaines, IL, Grade 8

1956 - 1959 St. Ludmilla, Chicago, IL, Grade 8, Superior/Principal

1959 - 1960 Holy Family, Cleveland, OH, Grade 8 1960 - 1961 St. Procopius, Chicago, IL, Grade 8 1961 - 1963 Holy Family, Cleveland, OH, Grade 8

1963 - 1964 SS Cyril and Methodius, Chicago, IL, Grade 7

1964 - 1967 St. Joseph, Joliet, IL, Grades 7, 8

1967 - 1969 St. Francis de Sales, Chicago, IL, Grade 5

1969 - 1971 St. Ann, Lansing, IL, Grade 7

1971 - 1973 SS Cyril and Methodius, Chicago, IL, Grade 8

1973 - 1982 SS Cyril and Methodius, Chicago, IL, Pastoral Work, Sacristan

1982 - 1991 St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, Tutor in St. Francis Reading Program;

RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) St. Charles Pastoral Center

1991 - 2000 Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Retired

Wake: Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Joliet, IL, Thursday

March 9, 2000 from 2-7 p.m. with a prayer service at 4:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial: Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Joliet, IL, Thursday

March 9, 2000 at 7:00 p.m.

Burial: Friday, March 10, 2000 leaving Our Lady of Angels at

9:00 a.m. to Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville, IL

Section 8, Lot 335, Grave 6

For those who have been faithful, O Lord, life is not ended, but merely changed.

Sister Ann Bartos was born in Chicago, Illinois on April 8, 1906 to Ferdinand and Helena Trubiroha Bartos. Anna was their first child, followed by Frank and Helen. She was baptized Anna Emilia at St. Michael the Archangel Church, where Anna also went to school as a young girl. Later the family belonged to SS. Cyril and Methodius Parish in Chicago.

In 1922, when Anna was sixteen years old, she came to Joliet to become a postulant with the Franciscan Sisters. She graduated from St. Francis Academy and continued her studies at DePaul University.

On August 12, 1923, Anna was received into the novitiate, and was given the name, Sister Vladimira (later shortened to Vladimir). When the Sisters were given an option to return to their Baptismal names, she was known as Sister Ann.

In the second year of her novitiate, Sister Vladimir began teaching in the primary grades at St. Procop Parish in Cleveland, Ohio, where she taught for 20 years. She considered teaching the first graders at St. Procop's one of the highlights of her life. In 1944 she began her work as a high school teacher, in St. Procop High School, remaining at St. Procop Parish for a total of 31 years. Sister Ann was a dedicated teacher and an avid learner. She studied nutrition and clothing selection at Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. She studied Spanish to help with her work in the Inner City.

Sister Ann moved back to Illinois in 1955 and taught in various schools in Illinois, and also at Holy Family in Cleveland. After teaching for several years at SS. Cyril and Methodius, her home parish in Chicago, she remained in the parish to do pastoral work until she came to the Motherhouse in 1982. There she volunteered as a tutor and also served as a volunteer for Catholic Charities Retired Seniors Volunteer Program at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Romeoville.

In 1991, Sister Ann moved to Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home. There she spent time reading, praying, doing needlework, playing cards and visiting with the sisters.

In recent months, her health failed and she grew weaker. The sisters prayed with her and kept vigil as her final days approached. On March 7, 2000, she quietly returned home to her God.

Sister Ann, we thank you for your gift of Catholic education and your service to the Church. We ask you to continue to pray for us as we strive to deepen our Faith. May you enjoy the gift of living in God's presence forever. Amen. Alleluia.

