

Alleluia!

Sister Corine (Vivian) Hoebing, OSF



Quincy, Illinois, was home to many members of the Wand and Hoebing families and still is today. It is there that Angela Corine Hoebing was born the sixth child of Mary (Wand) and Frank Hoebing on July 2, 1927. She was welcomed into the home by her loving parents, her four brothers and a sister. Another sister followed her to make the family complete. Angela Corine was baptized at St. Francis Solanus Church in Quincy and attended grade school at St. Anthony School. Following grade school, Angela came to Joliet, where she became an aspirant and attended St. Francis Academy. On September 8, 1942, Angela became a postulant with the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate and began her course work at the College of St. Francis. Angela became a novice on August 12, 1943, and received the name Sister Vivian. Though in future years, she returned to her name Corine, some still referred to her as Viv, or Sister Vivian. It was on August 12, 1945, that Sister Vivian pronounced her first vows and on August 12, 1948, she professed her final vows.

School continued for Sister Vivian at the College of St. Francis, and it was from there that she graduated with a degree in Biology. This degree was followed with a Master's in Biology from the University of Notre Dame and a Master's in Counseling from Illinois State University. Learning was very important to Vivian, and she often attended workshops, language classes, or theology classes, such as those offered at the Seraphic Institute whenever and wherever she had the opportunity. For several years, Vivian taught in Illinois and Ohio, sharing her love of and interest in sciences in grade and high schools. She was a good teacher and received many commendations and accolades from administration, teachers and students alike. Sister Vivian was well liked and had many "favorite" students. In 1977, after a beautiful missioning ceremony, Sister Vivian began her missionary work in Brazil. She taught in the classroom or in private music lessons, played the organ or guitar at liturgies and prayer services and visited many sick and elderly in the state of Goiás.

Corina (as she was loving called in Brazil) loved being with people. She was often the life of the party

and cared about everyone that she was with. Corina loved to tell stories and share experiences, loved to sing, and enjoyed watching her Brazilian novellas. Whether she related the story of her falling off an organ bench in the midst of an ordination ceremony or being admired for her blond hair and followed by many small children, she remained joyful and excited about her life in Brazil. In whatever she did, she was an integral part of the life of our Brazilian sisters and their families. Our younger sisters in Brazil really loved to be with her and learned many things from her.

And so, it was with great sadness and heavy hearts that our sisters sat with her and prayed as she endured this last, long suffering in the intensive care unit at the hospital before she was called home to her loving Lord on April 15, 2007. Corine, we thank our God for all our memories and happy times with you. We thank you for being so happy in your missionary work and touching the hearts of so many people both in the States and in Brazil. We pray that you may be reunited with your mother, your father, your brothers, Tony, and Charlie and your sisters Catherine and Mary and all your relatives and friends who preceded you, especially your relative and our sisters in community, Sister Raphael Wand and Sister Justa Peter.

We promise our prayers for your brothers, Father Philibert and Leo, your cousin Sister Clare Wand, your nieces and nephews, friends, relatives and classmates Sisters Carol Ann, Mark and Bernard Marie who will miss you.

May you rejoice in a place of brightness and joy as you can once again see things clearly, hear things resoundingly and walk with no difficulty all the days of your eternal life. We praise our God for you. Amen. Alleluia.

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July 2, 1927 — April 15, 2007

<i>Born:</i>	July 2, 1927, in Quincy, Illinois
<i>Parents:</i>	Frank Hoebing and Mary (Wand) Hoebing
<i>Postulancy:</i>	September 8, 1942
<i>Novitiate:</i>	August 12, 1943
<i>First Profession:</i>	August 12, 1945
<i>Final Profession:</i>	August 12, 1948
<i>Entered New Life:</i>	April 15, 2007

Ministry History

1945-1946	Full time student: St. Francis Academy
1946-1952	Teacher; Grades 2, 3, 4: St. Raymond, Joliet, Illinois
1952-1957	Teacher; Grades 5 & 6: Sacred Heart, Hubbard Woods, Illinois
1957-1961	Teacher; High School Sophomores: St. Francis Academy, Joliet, Illinois
1961-1962	Teacher; High School Freshmen: St. Patrick Central, Kankakee, Illinois
1962-1966	Teacher, Biology & Head of Science Department; Bishop Ready High School, Columbus, Ohio
1966-1969	Teacher; Biology, Photography: St. Francis Academy, Joliet, Illinois
1969-1977	Guidance Counselor: St. Francis Academy, Joliet, Illinois
1977-1978	Student: Preparing for Brazil
1978-1981	Pastoral Ministry, Catechetics: Goiânia, Goiás, Brazil
1981-1982	Co-Principal: Goiânia, Goiás, Brazil
1982	Co-Principal/Pastoral Ministry: São José Parish, San Damiano, Goiânia
1983	Co-Principal/Pastoral Ministry, Coordinator of Catechetics: San Damiano, São José Parish, Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Goiânia
1984	Student: CEFEPAL, Petropolis, Rio de Janeiro
1985-1989	Regional Secretary, Counselor, Pastoral Ministry: Instituto San Damiano, São José, Our Lady of Mercy, Goiânia, Goiás, Brazil
1990	Regional Secretary, School Secretary, Parish Ministry: Instituto San Damiano, São José, Christ the King, Goiânia, Goiás, Brazil
1991-1994	Regional Secretary, School Secretary, Parish Ministry: Instituto San Damiano, São José, Mother of Mercy Parish, Goiânia, Goiás, Brazil
1995-2007	Music Ministry, Pastoral Ministry, Volunteer: San José Parish, San Damiano School

<i>Wake:</i>	April 15-16, Brazil
<i>Mass of Christian Burial:</i>	Monday, April 16, 2007, 10:00 a.m., Brazil
<i>Burial:</i>	Monday, April 16, 2007, Parque Memorial de Goiânia, Brazil
<i>Memorial Mass:</i>	Friday, May 18, 7:00 p.m., Our Lady of Angel Retirement Home, Joliet, Illinois
<i>Predeceased by:</i>	Her parents, Frank and Mary (Wand) Hoebing; her sisters, Catherine Aman and Mary Loos; and brothers, Anthony and Clarence.
<i>Survived by:</i>	Her brothers, Rev. Philibert, OFM and Leo; nieces and nephews; her cousin Sr. Clare Wand, OSF; and her Joliet Franciscan sisters.

Rest in Peace, Sister Corine