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Sister M. Bernardine Ebner, formerly Elizabeth Ebner, daughter of Frank Ebner and Johanna Kunzelmann, died at the Motherhouse in Joliet, May 20, 1929 Illinois on Monday, June 20, 1929 at 7:50 a.m. in the forty-sixth year of her religious life and the sixty-third year of her age, having been fortified by the rites of Holy Mother Church.

Sister Bernardine was a native of Toledo, Ohio, and was admitted to the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate, October 18, 1883.

During her stay at the Motherhouse Sister Bernardine was afflicted with Parkinson's disease (Palsy agitans) which made her helpless for years and confined her to the community infirmary. Despite her helplessness that neither medical skill nor science could overcome, she gave touching proof in her silent and patient sufferings, that the generous heart is ever willing to fill its chalice to the brim for Christ's sake.

The funeral Mass was held on May 22, 1929. Rev. James Merts, S.J. was celebrant of the Mass, assisted by Rev. Alexius Bender, O.F.M. as deacon and Rev. Louis Johantges, O.F.M. as subdeacon. Her remains were interred in St. John's Cemetery.