

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

April 29, 1986

Dear Sisters and Associates,

Sister Lucretia Gaul, baptized Marie, was born to Patrick and Margaret Wilson Gaul on March 30, 1894 on Chicago's East Side.

She attended St. Francis de Sales Parish School where she also completed two years of commercial training before entering the Sisters of Saint Francis. For her college work, Sister attended various schools including Assisi Junior, De Paul, John Carroll and Loyola.

Sister Lucretia received her Master of Arts from Loyola University in 1930, where she selected as the topic for her Master's thesis: "What Causes Delinquency Among Catholic Boys and Girls?" In collecting her data, she spent months visiting reformatories and prisons in Ohio and Illinois, personally interviewing many of the inmates and gathering information from others by the questionnaire method. This was indeed unfamiliar territory to Catholic women religious of those times, and her department head described her findings as "original and hitherto unpublished data."

Sister Lucretia taught elementary school for several years and later moved on to secondary education where she taught English, History and Commercial Studies at St. Mary's in Columbus and St. Francis de Sales in Chicago. For twelve years, Sister Lucretia served as Superintendent at Guardian Angel Home, after which she was honored by Catholic Charities of Joliet for her many years of commitment to the Home and to the children there.

In 1965, Sister retired to Our Lady of Angels where she will be missed by many who came to appreciate her lively company and special gifts of Irish humor and spontaneity.

We are grateful for Sister's long and loving life and dedication. May eternal life and peace be hers.

Sincerely,
The Governing Board



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Born: March 30, 1894
Parents: Patrick and Margaret (Wilson) Gaul
Postulancy: December 7, 1915
Novitiate: August 12, 1916
First Profession: August 12, 1918
Final Profession: August 12, 1921
Age: 92 years old, in religious life 70 years

Ministry:

1917 - 1918 St. Procopius, Chicago, IL, Grade 2
1918 - 1925 St. Raymond, Joliet, IL, Grades 2,3,4,5,6
1925 - 1929 St. Mary, Columbus, OH, Shorthand, Typing, Bookkeeping
1929 - 1930 St. Francis de Sales, Chicago, IL, Commercial Class
1930 - 1931 St. Mary, Columbus, OH, English IV; Journalism; Shorthand, Typing
1931 - 1945 St. Francis de Sales, Chicago, IL, Superior and Principal, English, Shorthand, Public Speaking, Dramatics
1945 - 1946 Marybrook Academy, Maumee, OH, English, Religion, Shorthand, Sociology
1946 - 1951 Catholic Charities, Toledo, OH, Case Worker
1951 - 1963 Guardian Angel Home, Joliet, IL, Superintendent
1963 - 1986 Our Lady of Angels, Joliet, IL, Retired

Died: Saturday, April 26, 1986 at Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Joliet, IL

Wake: Tuesday, April 29, 1986, 2 - 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels, Mass of Resurrection at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 1986

Burial: Procession will leave Our Lady of Angels on Wednesday, April 30, 1986 at 9:00 a.m. for burial services and interment at Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville

