

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

March 17, 1983

Dear Sisters,

For only ten days has Sister Paulette Hauber been confined to the infirmary at Our Lady of Angels. Her indomitable will power supplied the energy to leave SFA and attend to the needs of the senior citizens to whom she ministered, even if it meant being wheeled to her car by one of the Sisters. Finally, she entered St. Joseph Hospital, and later OLA's infirmary, knowing that she had served until the last weeks of her life. Today she entered eternity, fortified by the prayers of the Sisters and the sacraments of the Church.

Sister Paulette (Marguerite Hauber) was only fifteen when she entered the Congregation, leaving her family who, at that time, were living in Jackson, MN. September 5, 1922 was the first day in a long procession of years when Sister Paulette ministered to the needs of persons in the Church. Her early life, those first twenty-eight years in the Community, found her teaching in both elementary and high schools of the Congregation. In 1953 her life took a different bent. That year she entered the field of social work and, in one way or another, used her time, energy and talents in that ministry until a couple of weeks before her death. She became a certified social worker in the state of Illinois in 1968, joining a strong experiential background with the best in educational theory.

Since 1971 Sister Paulette has worked for senior citizens in the Joliet area. She used her experience for a few years as a social worker for the Rehabilitation Services of Mid-America. "I've handled difficult cases in all my assignments, and now I would like to try to help older people, particularly those who are withdrawn and depressed." As a worker for RSMA she visited many nursing homes in the Joliet area and helped patients become oriented to their new environment.

In 1974 she joined the staff of the Catholic Charities of Joliet, working as the first volunteer for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). In 1979 she received the Charles Livingston Award for her services to RSVP, her dedication, her availability, and her love and concern for the senior citizens of the community.

When Sister Paulette came back to Joliet in 1967, she became involved in the Cursillo movement. Gradually this led to the formation of a charismatic prayer group that met at Catholic High these past dozen or more years. She was a core member of this group and even at the last meeting she attended on February 14 she presented the seminar to the new members. These prayer group meetings nourished her spiritual life, and, reciprocally, helped the faith life of so many men and women to deepen.

On March 2 she exteriorly acknowledged that her active life was completed as she relinquished her car keys before entering the hospital. Only 15 days later her life on this earth ended, leaving behind hundreds of friends who bereave her passing. We offer our sympathy to all these friends, as well as her four brothers: Andrew, Paul, Everett, and Bernard, their wives and children. She served the needs of His Church well. May she now rest in His eternal peace.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

THE GOVERNING BOARD



SISTER M. PAULETTE HAUBER, OSF (MARGUERITE) 571



Parents: Paul and Catherine (Koster) Hauber
Born: July 28, 1907 in Peru, Illinois

Postulancy: September 5, 1922
Novitiate: August 12, 1923
First Profession: August 12, 1925
Final Profession: August 12, 1928
Golden Jubilee: June, 1975

Age: 75 years old; in religious life 59 years

Ministry:

1925-30 St. Peter, Mansfield, OH, Grades 1-4
1930-41 St. Raymond, Joliet, IL, Grades 3, 5, 6, 7
1941-42 St. Clement, Chicago, IL, Grade 7
1942-53 Marybrook Academy, Maumee, OH, High School
Faculty, Prefect
1953-67 Catholic Charities, Toledo, OH, Social Worker
1967-71 Guardian Angel Home, Joliet, IL, Administrator
1971-74 Rehabilitation Services of Mid-America, Social Work
in Joliet area nursing homes
1974-83 Catholic Charities, Joliet, IL, Outreach Worker,
Retired Senior Volunteer Program

Died: Thursday, March 17, 1983 at 4:05 a.m. at Our
Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Joliet, IL
Wake: Friday, March 18, 1983, 2-7 p.m., Our Lady of Angels
Prayer Service: Friday, March 18, 1983, 3:30 p.m.
Mass: Friday, March 18, 1983, 7:00 p.m.
Burial: Saturday, March 19, 1983, 9:30 a.m. from Our Lady of
Angels to Resurrection Cemetery, Lockport, IL