



Sister Crescentia Metz

Sister Crescentia Metz died at the Motherhouse, Sunday evening, February 25, 1934 after a lingering illness. Sister Crescentia had been confined to the Infirmary since August when she had come to the Motherhouse from St. Clement's Mission, Chicago, where she had completed her second term as superior and principal. Sister had made the first retreat in June and had celebrated the silver jubilee of her religious profession with the other jubilarians on June 29. After that she returned to Saint Clement's where she was to remain until the appointments would be given in August. A few days after her return to St. Clement's the doctor ordered her to bed where she was obliged to remain until she was brought to the Infirmary. She was in a serious condition, which rest and care did not seem to improve except for very short periods at rare intervals when she showed some slight improvement. She herself seemed to feel that she would not recover. She had been taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Joliet, where two blood transfusions were given to her, but to no avail. She seemed to profit for a short time, but the improvement was short-lived.

Sister Crescentia had, of course, received the last Sacraments during her illness, and seemed very resigned to die. She remained conscious to the end. On the morning of the day she died she seemed to suffer intensely and apparently lost consciousness for a time. However, during the afternoon and during the night she was conscious and seemed to realize that the end was very near. At the time of her death, Sister Crescentia was in the forty-sixth year of her age and the twenty-ninth of her religious life.

Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. A. Rempe, Pastor of St. Clement's Church, Chicago, sang the Solemn Requiem Mass and gave the last absolution at the cemetery. She was buried in St. John's Cemetery, Joliet on February 28, 1934.