

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

St. Francis Convent
Joliet, Illinois

Saturday, February 28, 1970

Dear Sisters,

On Friday, February 27 at 9:55 p.m. Sister Juanita Mizicko died at Our Lady of Angels.

Sister Juanita was in her 37th year, born on October 10, 1933 in Tonica, Illinois. She entered our Congregation in 1950 and made her first vows in 1953.

In August of last year Sister underwent serious surgery but in September she was able to enter the work she had so wanted, that of full time YCS work under the auspices of the Chicago Catholic Charities. In mid-January Sister became too ill to continue in her work and so she came to Our Lady of Angels.

Sister Grace Brouch said that Sister Juanita had asked to know the full extent of her illness and what developments she could expect and then settled in great peace to await her death.

On Sunday, February 22, Sister Juanita weakened noticeably and by Tuesday it was apparent to Sister Grace that death was imminent. Her mother, Mrs. Hildegard Mizicko of Streator, Illinois was notified on Tuesday and was with Sister until her death on Friday.

Sister Juanita's brother, Rev. Carroll Mizicko, OFM, arrived from his parish in Memphis, Tennessee on Wednesday and on Thursday he celebrated the Eucharist in Sister's room at Our Lady of Angels. Another brother, Mr. Melory Mizicko of Chicago and her sister, Mrs. Herman Piehl of Springfield, Pennsylvania joined their mother in that celebration of the Mass around Sister's bed. Sister is survived by a third brother, Rev. Vance Mizicko, OFM who is presently serving in Brazil.

Sister Juanita lived half of her religious life in Chicago serving at St. Pascal's, St. Francis de Sales, St. Boniface and Sacred Heart, Englewood. It was at Sacred Heart that Sister became involved in YCS work. Sister also taught at St. John's school in Joliet, at Annunciation in Aurora, Most Pure Heart of Mary, Shelby, and St. Procop's, Cleveland.

The Liturgy of the Resurrection will be celebrated by Sister Juanita's brother, Father Carroll, on Monday, March 2 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery in Lockport.

May we be mindful of the mystery of death-resurrection in our own lives as we remember Sister Juanita and her family in our prayers.

Devotedly in Christ,

The Governing Board

