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Sister Dolorosa O'Gorman

Sister Mary Dolorosa O'Gorman died on the great feast of St. Joseph, patron of a happy death. At the time of her death Sister Dolorosa was in the seventy-fifth year of her age and the forty-seventh of her religious life. General carcinoma was the cause of her death. For several days before her death she was in a most critical condition. She succumbed at 6:50 PM on March 19, fortified by the rites of Holy Mother Church.

In June, 1937, Sister Dolorosa had been operated at St. Anthony's Hospital, Chicago. After convalescing through the summer, Sister felt able to resume her duties in the classroom. By the first week in November Sister Dolorosa had to inform Reverend that she was obliged to return to the hospital. She remained at the hospital only a few days when she returned to St. Francis Assisi Mission. She did not take up her classroom work. Before Christmas she returned to the hospital, and on January 18, 1938 was brought home to the Motherhouse in her last illness in January, 1938.

The funeral services were held on March 22nd at 8:30 o'clock. After the Dead Office had been recited, a Solemn Requiem Mass was offered by the chaplain, Rev. Thomas Rust, OFM. He was assisted by Rev. Angelus Ziviesler, OFM, chaplain of St. Joseph's Hospital, as deacon. The subdeacon was Rev. Romas Hasenstab, OFM, assistant at St. John's Church. Rev. Joseph M. Puigvi, OMF, pastor of St. Francis Assisi Church, Chicago, was present in the sanctuary.

Burial took place in St. John's Cemetery, Joliet, Rev. Thomas Rust, OFM, officiating at the grave. No relatives were present for her funeral. Her only surviving brother and sister live in Florida. Her sister became a cripple after an automobile accident several years before. Sister M. Stanislas wrote the details of her death to the sister in Florida. She had been keeping her informed during Sister Dolorosa's illness.