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Sister Innocentia Wagner

After an illness of several months, Sister Mary Innocentia Wagner died at the Motherhouse at 1:20 PM, October 21, 1937. Sister Innocentia was in the sixty-seventh year of her age and the fifty-first of her religious life.

Sister Innocentia had entered the postulancy from St. Francis Academy. She had lost her mother in early childhood and had been cared for by the Sisters at the Academy as a boarding pupil. Sister's death was due to acute cardiac dilatation with chronic myocardites and chronic cholecystitis as contributory causes.

The Solemn Requiem Mass was celebrated in the chapel of the Motherhouse on October 23. Rev. Thomas Rust, OFM, the chaplain, was celebrant. The deacon was Rev. Constantine Bach, OFM, pastor of St. John's, Joliet, and the subdeacon, Rev. Cassian Nothbauer, OFM, chaplain of the Guardian Angel Home. Father Thomas officiated at the grave. Sister Innocentia was survived by her brother, Mr. Matthias Wagner, who was present at her funeral.

Because of ill health Sister Innocentia had come to the Motherhouse in the early part of 1936. After a short time she became the "night nurse" for Sister M. Scholastica, that is, she stayed with Sister Scholastica during the night. She kept this charge more or less regularly, until Sister Scholastica's death in February 1937.