

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

March 22, 1973

Dear Sisters,

Quietly she lived and quietly she died might be the epithet for Sister Esther Weizenecker, who was found dead in her room, when the Sisters at Immaculate Conception went to call her for supper on March 21, 1973.

Last year Sister celebrated her Golden Jubilee, which culminated a long and active teaching apostolate. Particularly gifted as a primary teacher, Sister served in that role beginning at St. Pascal's, then followed various assignments in that area to St. Peter's, St. Michael, Sigel, St. Francis deSales, St. Raymond, St. Joseph, Elgin, St. Mary, Columbus, and many other of the Congregation's educational centers. Sister terminated her long and successful teaching at Lillyville in 1968. Sister offered her services in the subsequent years as a "house blessing" on the various missions, the last being Immaculate Conception, Columbus, Ohio.

Columbus was the place of her birth in 1896 and she was baptized in St. Mary's Church there. Her parents were Frederic Weizenecker of Baden, Germany, and her mother, Veronica Trott of Columbus. She entered the Congregation as a postulant in 1919 and made final vows in 1925. She celebrated her Silver Jubilee in 1947. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Stella Selders of Sandusky, Ohio, and a niece, Louise Diewald, and a nephew, Howard Diewald, both of Columbus, Ohio.

A funeral Mass was held for Sister at Immaculate Conception at 10 a.m. on Friday. The body was then flown to Our Lady of Angels, Joliet, where the Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on March 24, at 10 a.m. with burial following in Resurrection Cemetery, Lockport, Illinois.

Sister's long life of service to the elementary schools and her quiet devotedness give us pause in this hectic year, when the values she witnessed to are being questioned.

May her Sisters in religion, pupils, friends, and relatives be consoled by one "whose star will shine for all eternity".

Devotedly in Christ,

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