

SISTER M. LUDOVICA ZEGERMACHER
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"ZEALOUS RELIGIOUS CALLED TO ETERNITY"

Tuesday, February 18, 1947, at 1:28 a.m. Sister Ludovica Zegermacher ended her heavenly fruitful life at the Convent of St. Francis, Joliet, IL. She ended her Godly religious life at the ripe old age of 83 of which 63 were spent in the cloister. Though she attained this ripe old age she was endowed with blessed health to the very end. Only a few short days found her incapacitated.

Sister M. Ludovica was born in Czechoslovakia in Domazlice. As a young child she came to the United States with her parents who made St. Francis Assisi Parish, Chicago, their home. Here she spent her youth to the date of her departure for the Convent of St. Francis in Joliet, IL. After completing her novitiate she zealously taught in Chicago parishes: St. Procopius, St. Ludmilla, Sts. Cyril and Methodius.

Funeral was held Friday, February 21, from the Convent of St. Francis, Joliet. After the chanted office of the Dead in the convent chapel a Requiem was said for the departed faithful soul after which the remains were placed in the cemetery lot.

To have done great things we do not hear but in her own little way Sister Ludovica strived to attain perfection. Her greatest interest was teaching the children. In this field she gave edifying and untiring zealous interest. With a stern life that gave good example to all with whom she came in contact. Many of her students have already attained advanced ages with graying heads and that too is evidence of her ripe old age at present. She was a humorous, zealous, and a firm teacher and strived to keep her methods fruitful, teaching not only for the day but for life here and hereafter. This gives Sister's teaching career a lasting value. Not only was she a teacher but also a mother to many a pupil. To be near her in all charity was a child's delight.

Her reward in heaven must be great not because she worked zealously but because in her work she sought to make children more like Him and this she saw in many of her pupils as they chose their careers.

(N.B. This newspaper article does not mention that Sister Ludovica had fallen and broken a hip in St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, on January 31, 1947, almost three weeks before her death.)

SISTER M. LUDOVICA ZEGERMACHER'S MISSION RECORD:

		Grades:
1884-86	St. Mary, Columbus, OH	1
1886-88	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL	2
1888-95	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL	2,5
1895-97	St. Ludmilla, Chicago, IL	4,5,6
1897-99	St. Procop, Cleveland, OH	5 Principal
1899-1900	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL	5
1900-12	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL	5,6
1912-15	St. Stephen, Johnstown, PA	8 Principal
1915-18	Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Chicago, IL	6,7
1918-19	St. Procop, Cleveland, OH	6
	St. Joseph, Joliet, IL	6
1919-22	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL	6
1922-37	Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Chicago, IL	2-4 Principal
1937-38	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL	Portress
	St. Francis Assisi, Chicago, IL	3
1938-44	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL	Portress
1944-47	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL	
	No assigned duty	