

SISTER M. SALOME GLEASON

117. MARCH 16, 1919

Sister Salome, Agnes Gleason, died on March 16, 1919, at the Motherhouse. During Christmas vacation she had been hospitalized for an appendectomy, but had recovered and returned to teaching at St. Raymond School. The influenza epidemic proved too much for her and she succumbed just a short time after her 26th birthday, scarcely more than 6 years in religious life.

Agnes Gleason, daughter of Timothy and Bridget Sweeney Gleason, was born on January 29, 1893, in Allouez, WI. She entered as a postulant in Joliet on July 28, 1912, became Sister Salome on March 6, 1913, when she began her Novitiate. She made her First Vows on March 6, 1915, and her Final Vows on March 6, 1918, in Bayfield, WI, where Franciscan Father Norbert Wilhelm received her Vows as delegated by Monsignor Rempe of Chicago; Sister Seraphica represented Mother Vincent.

Sister Salome's younger sister, Anna, entered as a postulant in 1915, about three years after her sister. Anna is our Sister M. Eileen, who made her First Vows on August 12, 1918, and was teaching music at St. Francis Academy when Sister Salome died.