

SISTER M. AUSTIN KRBEC O.S.F. (Anna) 664

Born: September 22, 1896 in Cleveland, Ohio
Parents: Francis and Anna (Dvorak) Krbec
Postulancy: November 19, 1924
Novitiate: August 12, 1925
First Profession: August 12, 1927
Final Profession: August 12, 1930
Died: Saturday, February 3, 1990 at 2:45 p.m. at
Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home



Ministry:

1926 - 1930	St. Ludmilla, Chicago, IL, Grades 2, 3 & 4
1930 - 1935	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL, Grades 5 & 6
1935 - 1938	St. Dionysius, Benton, MO, Grades 4, 5, & 6
1938 - 1939	St. Francis de Sales, Chicago, IL, Substitute Grade 6
	St. Boniface, Chicago, IL, Grade 6
1939 - 1942	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL, Grades 4, 5, & 7
1942 - 1949	St. Ludmilla, Chicago, IL, Grades 3, 4, 5 & 6
1949 - 1958	St. Procop, Cleveland, OH, Grades 3, 4 & 5
1958 - 1959	Holy Family, Cleveland, OH, Grades 7 & 8
1959 - 1960	SS. Cyril and Methodius, Chicago, IL, Grade 7
1960 - 1963	St. Ludmilla, Chicago, IL, Superior & Principal, Grade 8
1963 - 1965	St. Procop, Cleveland, OH, Grade 8
1965 - 1966	St. Joseph, Freeport, IL, Grade 7
1966 - 1967	St. Cyril, Chicago, IL, Grade 6
1967 - 1968	Most Pure Heart of Mary, Shelby, OH, Grade 5
1968 - 1973	Our Lady of Guadalupe, Chicago, IL, Grade 5
1973 - 1979	St. Procopius, Chicago, IL, Librarian
1979 - 1983	St. Francis Convent, Joliet, IL, Retired
1983 - 1990	Our Lady of Angels, Joliet, IL, Retired

Wake: Monday, February 5, 1990 from 2 - 7 p.m. with a Prayer Service at 4:30 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial: Monday, February 5, 1990 at 7 p.m.

Burial: Tuesday, February 6, 1990, Resurrection Cemetery at 9:00 a.m.

Survived by nephew and nieces

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

Sister Austin was born on September 22, 1896 in Cleveland, Ohio, the fifth of six children of Anna and Francis Krbec. After finishing eighth grade at St. Procop School in Cleveland, and working several years, she entered the Congregation. In 1948 she graduated from the College of St. Francis where she was noted as very good in her studies. In 1960 she received a Certificate from the Seraphic Institute of Theology awarded by CSF and then pursued courses in reading at Cardinal Stritch College in Milwaukee.

Her teaching career extended through fifty three years, teaching second to eighth grade. Many of these years were spent in the middle grades in Chicago, Benton and Cleveland. She was also superior and principal at St. Ludmilla's and librarian at St. Procopius, Chicago. She felt that she could give service to the Church through elementary education and in her contacts with students through her library work, expressing her willingness to work with minorities. In 1979 she retired to the Motherhouse and four years later moved to OLA for the last seven years.

Sister Austin felt strongly about Community living. She wrote, while at St. Procopius, Chicago, that her living situation with eleven sisters of varied ages was ideal. We remember her fondly as a person that was patient and humble, industrious and exact. Her gentle spirit made her a lover of peace. A gracious, affable woman, Sister Austin's cheery countenance welcomed her visitors by name.

Until her eyesight failed, Sister Austin loved to do jigsaw and crossword puzzles. She loved to read and was also very solicitous about God's creatures, even treating Sister Faith's gerbils to sweets. Amidst her few belongings was found a quote by David M. Knight, S.J. which sums up her freedom to do God's work, whatever that might be.

"To love is to be free to die.
To have all things unfinished
and to go to God
without regretting the interruption."

We rejoice with you Sister Austin, in your homecoming, where you are now united once again with your loved ones and your God.

