

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

St. Francis Convent
Joliet, Illinois

December 8, 1970

Dear Sisters,

Sister Mary Elaine Prodehl, O.S.F., died on Sunday, December 6, 1970, at Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home, Joliet, Illinois.

Around noon on Sunday, Sister went into a coma and died very peacefully at 7:40 p.m.

With her at the time of her death were two of her sisters, Mrs. F.S. Meyer (Marian) and Mrs. A.J. Korb (Jeanette) both of Joliet; her brother, George, of Joliet, and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Edward Prodehl, Joliet. Another sister, Mrs. H. Kessinger (Ann), arrived from New Jersey shortly after Sister died.

Sister Elaine was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin in 1905, entered our Congregation in 1924, and made her first vows in 1927.

Her apostolate in teaching called forth the full expression of her talents, placing her in primary grades through high school to college level as an instructor in the summer school program.

Sister began her teaching career in St. Peter parish, Mansfield, Ohio, in 1927. Sister taught there for twelve years, from 1927 until 1939, moving through grades 3 and 4 to intermediate level to junior high and into the high school. She returned to St. Peter parish in 1962 to serve as principal of the high school.

Sister Elaine also served at St. Francis Academy, Central Catholic High School, Toledo, Ohio, St. Mary High School, Columbus, Ohio, Alleman High School, Rock Island, Illinois, St. Patrick High School, Kankakee, Illinois, and Bishop Ready High School, Columbus, Ohio. Sister's final service of teaching was given to St. Francis Academy until April, 1970, when she became ill.

The Liturgy of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, at Our Lady of Angels. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery in Lockport, Illinois.

Sister Elaine's life was devoted to young people in education. We celebrate the dedication of her service to them and rejoice in the life that is hers forever in the community of heaven.

Devotedly in Christ,

The Governing Board

