

SISTER M. FRANCISCA REISEL

125. DECEMBER 21, 1920

Sister Francisca, Elizabeth Reisel, was born to Matthias and Magdalena Effertz Reisel, in Chicago, IL on August 17, 1886. Her sister Margaret, our Sister Benigna, was born May 9, 1885. St. Boniface, Chicago, IL was their home parish.

Elizabeth entered the postulancy on January 25, 1906, when Sister Benigna was a Novice. As Sister Francisca she began her Novitiate on August 12, 1906, pronounced her First Vows on August 15, 1908, and her Final Vows on August 12, 1914. She died in her 35th year in the 15th year of religious life. Death in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Chicago, followed unsuccessful surgery for defective kidneys. Her priest brother, Father Albert Reisel, officiated at her funeral in St. Benedict Church, Chicago, and at St. Boniface Cemetery, Chicago, where she is buried in the family plot.

Sister Francisca's brief Mission Record included:

1908-12 St. John the Baptist, Joliet, IL
1912-15 St. Peter, Mansfield, OH
1915-19 St. Francis Xavier, Chicago, IL
1919-20 St. Francis Academy, Joliet, IL
St. Joseph, Pesotum, IL