

Sister Mary Thomas, O.L.V.M.

SISTER MARY THOMAS, the former Catherine Murray of Punxsutawney, Pa., died at Victory Noll March 5, after an illness of one year.

Sister Mary Thomas, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Murray, was born in Punxsutawney December 9, 1904. She entered the Congregation of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters in 1933 and was professed three years later.

For most of her religious life Sister Mary Thomas was assigned to missions in the south and west. She served several terms as a superior. She was superior in Union City, Pa., at the time she was stricken with her fatal illness.

Sister Mary Thomas is survived by four brothers: the Rev. Ronald Murray, C.P., Springfield, Mass.; John and Arthur of Pittsburgh; and Clement of Punxsutawney, Pa. Her parents, three brothers, and three sisters preceded her in death.

Father Ronald conducted the funeral services held in the chapel at Victory Noll Saturday, March 7. He was assisted by Capuchin Fathers and Brothers of St. Felix Friary. Father Baldwin was deacon of the Mass; Father Kevin, sub-deacon. Frater Owen served as master of ceremonies; Brother Damien, thurifer; and Brother Marion and Brother Gabriel, acolytes. The Very Rev. Msgr. James P. Conroy, chaplain at Victory Noll, preached the sermon. Present also was the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph R. Crowley, editor of *Our Sunday Visitor*.

Besides Father Ronald, Messrs. John and Arthur Murray attended Sister's funeral; also her sister-in-law and nephews, Mrs. James Murray, James, Duncan, and David Murray, of Detroit.

We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Thomas, together with the souls of our benefactors and friends. May they rest in peace.