

Sister Benedict Joseph, O. L. V. M.

SISTER BENEDICT JOSEPH, O.L.V.M., the former Beatrice LeBlanc of Burlington, Vermont, died at Victory Noll Sunday morning, February 10, at nine-thirty, after an illness of more than two years.

Sister Benedict Joseph was stricken in December 1960 when she was doing mission work in Montclair, California. She suffered complete paralysis. After being a patient in St. Bernardine's hospital in San Bernardino for six months she was able to be moved to our convent in Redlands where she remained until brought to Victory Noll infirmary by ambulance plane in January 1962.

Sister Benedict Joseph, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur LeBlanc, was born August 14, 1926 in Burlington. She was a member of St. Joseph parish there and was graduated from Mt. St. Mary Academy in the same city. She entered Victory Noll in 1954 and made her profession of vows three years later. Sister was assigned to Detroit one year before she went to California.

Sister Benedict Joseph is survived by a sister and two broth-

ers: Mrs. Roland Hayes and Mr. Donald LeBlanc of Burlington; and Mr. Arthur LeBlanc of Saco, Maine.

Mrs. Hayes and Mr. Donald LeBlanc attended the funeral services which were held at Victory Noll Tuesday, February 12. The Very Rev. William Lulloff, O.F.M.Cap., guardian of St. Felix Friary, Huntington, was celebrant of the Solemn Requiem Mass. Father William was assisted by the Rev. Senan Brody, O.F.M.Cap., deacon, and the Rev. Baldwin Beyer, O.F.M.Cap., sub-deacon. Frater Stanley, O.F.M.Cap., was master of ceremonies, and Brother Bede, O.F.M.Cap., thurifer. Acolytes were Mr. Paul Okuly and Mr. Joseph Stoffel of the Knights of Columbus Servers Club.

Knights also served as pallbearers: Messrs. Paul Manoski, Louis Hohe, Harold Shinebarger, Thomas Dennie, Ben Lingis, and James Kastner.

We ask your prayers for the repose of the soul of Sister Benedict Joseph. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.