



February 7, 1995

"Amen, Praise and Glory,  
Wisdom and Thanksgiving  
and Honor, Power and Might  
to our God forever and ever.  
Amen." Rev. 7 (9-12)

Dear Sisters:

Sister Dorothy Marie Trapp was born January 7, 1906 to Adam and Catherine Yosviak Trapp in Garrett, Indiana. She entered Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters congregation on April 23, 1927. She made profession of first vows August 15, 1929. Sister entered eternal life January 21, 1995. That day was also the anniversary of her Baptism in St. Joseph's Church, Garrett,

Sister Regina Torzewski shares with us a life experience of Sister Dorothy Marie. The two Sisters were enjoying a little conversation on liturgy one day. Sister Dorothy Marie expressed her enthusiasm for processions. Her first participation in this devotion was in first grade. The teacher taught the class a scripture quotation of praise to silently pray as they marched to a beat: "Amen, Praise and Glory . . ."

The school program through the years called the student body to a procession regularly. This mantra and rhythm became 'her own' for processions and for life.

When Sister Dorothy Marie came to Victory Noll she learned our founder's primary devotion was to Divine Indwelling. Sister said, "I already had my ejaculation. I still love it and it stays with me. When I work or do anything else that prayer is always in the back of my mind."

Sister Regina writes, "I listened in awe! Sister was saying that although her mind and hands were busy with necessary duties her heart was praising God.

"I visited Sister Dorothy Marie after she could no longer communicate. As I stood by her bed recollecting myself to pray, her mantra came to my mind, loud and clear, as if she were praying it: "Amen, Praise and . . ."

Sister Dorothy Marie has taken care of a variety of ministries during her missionary life. In 1963 she became a bursar in the

finance department at Victory Noll. In 1988, Sister began naming herself a retired bookkeeper in the same department.

There were work days, relaxing vacations at the lake fishing and evenings of Scrabble games accomplished with her whole heart and a sense of humor.

Sister Dorothy Marie had been in failing health for several months. She had used a walker and a wheel chair but continued as much of an active life as was possible. Sisters Dorothy Louise Wortmann and Marjorie Curran took her to Brooklyn, Michigan last summer to see her sister, Anna Marie Kellner. Both were appreciative of the opportunity to visit though Sister was moved to see her sister's sufferings and limitations. Anna Marie died in September.

Sisters sat with Sister Dorothy Marie for a few days before her death, praying and helping her to be comfortable. She passed away peacefully with Sisters Dorothy Louise Wortmann and Mary Helen Rogers at her side about nine-thirty in the evening.

There was a Memorial Prayer Service on Friday evening, January 27. Father Thomas Fahey was presider at a beautiful Memorial Eucharistic Liturgy on January 28.

Sister Dorothy Marie was preceded in death by six brothers, Leonard, John Edward, Jacob, George, Andrew, Herman; and two sisters, Anna Marie and Helen Frances. She is survived by two brothers; Frank J. Trapp of Charles City, Virginia; Charles Trapp of Frankfort, Indiana; and the families.

Sister Dorothy Marie has been a light for the missionary sisters.

Sincerely yours,

*Sister Marjorie Curran*  
General Secretary

