



Sr. Nancy Inga, O.P.

June 26, 1920 - October 13, 2014

Sr. Nancy Inga, O.P. Sr. Mary Cecilia of Jesus, age 94, died peacefully, surrounded by her community on Monday morning, October 13, 2014. She is survived by her sisters Margaret Smith, Beatrice Kosturn, Lillian Gunning and Anita Thoms. Two sisters, Eleanor Wallace and Josephine Smith, predeceased her. She was also aunt to many nieces and nephews and grand-aunt to their children. Sr. Mary Cecilia entered the Monastery of St. Dominic in Newark, NJ in 1944. She took her solemn, perpetual vows on June 16, 1949. Her profession motto was, "Be it done unto me according to thy word." In 2003, when the Monastery in Newark was closing, Sister transferred to the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament in Farmington Hills, Michigan. Sr. Mary Cecilia had a lovely voice and one of her duties in the Monastery was to lead the chanting of the psalms. She sang special parts on high holy days: the "Exultet" at the Easter Vigil, the "Genealogy" at Christmas and the "Lamentations" during Holy Week. Sister also had a very distinct speaking voice which made it easy for all to hear and understand. One of Sister's assignments in her later years, was working in the General Correspondence Office where she would address the envelopes containing thank you notes to benefactors in her beautiful "Palmer" handwriting. Sr. Mary Cecilia will lie in state at the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 29575 Middlebelt Rd., Farmington Hills, MI 48334 on Thursday, October 16th from 11 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. with a wake service of Rosary and Compline beginning at 7 p.m. Continued visitation before Funeral Mass on Friday, October 17th from 8 a.m.

– 11 a.m. Fr. David Santoro, O.P., the Monastery Chaplain, will preside at the Funeral Mass. Burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Monastery Renovation Fund are appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000.