

Ave charity,
guard humility,
hold fast to voluntary poverty..
- Saint Dominic's Last Will & Testament

In Memoriam

Dominican Sister of Adrian Beverly McEachin, OP

Beverly McEachin, was born on July 5, 1928 in Detroit, Michigan. She graduated from St. Paul High School in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan and entered the Adrian Dominican Congregation. Beverly ministered for 30 years in elementary and secondary education and school counseling.



For 4 years, she was Director of Annual Donations for the Adrian Dominican Sisters Development Office located in Detroit. She was very outgoing. In 2015, she became a resident of the Dominican Life Center. Her energy was contagious. Bev loved people and greeted others with a big hug, a pleasant smile and a chat. She delighted in nature and enjoyed watching the birds and squirrels and their antics.

On April 30, 2019, Beverly died at the Dominican Life Center in Adrian. She was 90 years of age and in the 72nd year of her religious profession. To view her obituary, please click here.

Dominican Sister of Adrian Philomena Perreault, OP

Born on July 30, 1924 in Manchester, New Hampshire, Marie Therese Perrault, graduated from Holy Angels Academy in Seattle, Washington, and received a Licensed Practical Nursing degree from Gray's Harbor Community College in Aberdeen, Washington. At the age of 26, she entered the Dominican Sisters of Edmonds, Washington and was given the name Sister Philomena. She ministered in hospitals in the west. Eventually, she became a missionary in the Mexican Mission Clinic in Acolman, filling the role of mother, nurse and care–giver to those who needed her assistance.



From 1987 to 2006, she was called to minister in Haiti, where she worked with infants, unwanted babies, toddlers and staff. Philomena was a humble woman, who wasn't afraid to do what needed to be done. Her Haitian family bestowed on her a name in French which translated to "Mother of the Mountains." In 2006, she returned to Rosary Heights, Washington, and in 2010, she became a resident of the Dominican Life Center in Adrian, Michigan, where she continued to find things to do.

Sister Philomena died at the Dominican Life Center on Wednesday, May 8th in her 94th year of life and her 67th year in religion. At her memorial Mass, we were joined by friends, Haitian co-workers and some "babies" she raised, to bid her farewell in prayer, song and dance. To view her obituary, please click here.

Dominican Sister of Caldwell Mary Thomas Aussem, OP

Sr. Mary Thomas Aussem OP, 90, died on Saturday, May 4, 2019, in St. Catherine of Siena Healthcare Center, Caldwell, N.J. Sr. Mary Thomas was a woman of joy and simplicity of life who served her God and Congregation faithfully for 70 years as a Dominican Sister of Caldwell. To view her obituary, please click here.



Dominican Sister of Hope Maureen Cooper, OP

Sister Maureen Cooper, OP of the Dominican Sisters of Hope, died on May 8th in Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital in Camden, New Jersey. She was 82 years of age. The daughter of the late Ambrose A. and Mary (Powell) Cooper, she was born July 24, 1936 in Camden, New Jersey. Sister Maureen entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh, New York, in December 1954, made her First Profession in June 1956, and Final Profession in August 1959.



Dominican Sister of Peace Dorothy (Mary Timothy) Lorio, OP

Dominican Sister of Peace Dorothy (Mary Timothy) Lorio (81) died at the Mohun Health Care Center in Columbus, OH, on April 15, 2019. Sr. Dorothy attended a Catholic primary and high school, which must have helped inform her decision to enter religious life. When she entered the Congregation in 1957, she asked to enter for "personal sanctification and the salvation of souls" – goals to which she remained dedicated for her entire life.



During her first ministry, in education, she served as a teacher in middle schools throughout Louisiana. She earned her Master of Social and combined her love of education and her desire to help others by ministering as a guidance counselor at several schools in the New Orleans area, including St. Mary's Dominican High School. Sr. Dottie also served her Congregation as Vocation Director, Temporary Professed Director, Novice Director, and Assistant Motherhouse Coordinator. Even after her retirement, she continued her ministry through her prayer and presence at both the New Orleans and Columbus Motherhouses and most recently at Mohun Health Care Center. To view Sr. Dorothy's memorial on the Dominican Sisters of Peace website, please click here.

Dominican Sister of Peace Helen Wilxman, OP

Dominican Sister of Peace Helen (Basil) Wilxman, 93, passed away at Mohun Health Care Center on May 3, 2019. Sr. Helen ministered as a teacher and

administrator in Connecticut, Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania for 27 years.



Sr. Helen's wonderful personality and "get it done" attitude – as well as her talent for mathematics – were key in her next ministry as Director of Development at Albertus Magnus College. From there she accepted a position in Parish Ministry and fundraising for St. Rita and St. Anthony Parishes in Dade City, FL. This opened the door to what would become her favorite work – Director of Daystar Hope Center, an ecumenical non–profit that provided physical aid to the very poor. In 2004, Sr. Helen returned home to Columbus, serving as a Volunteer at the Motherhouse and later in a ministry of prayer and presence at the Mohun Health Care Center. To view Sr. Helen's online memorial, please click here.

Dominican Sister of Racine Michelle Olley, OP

Born to earthly life: October 21, 1927 Religious profession: August 15, 1949 Entered eternal life: April 26, 2019

"I have admired S. Michelle throughout my career in Catholic education," Brenda White, president of Siena Catholic Schools said. "When I first became a school principal in 1986, her positive energy and vibrant



leadership inspired me as a young professional. Many years later, when I began in my role as president of Siena Catholic Schools of Racine, S. Michelle would visit me in my office at the Siena Center. She was a strong supporter of bringing our Catholic schools together as a regional system, and she would engage in conversations with me about school funding and board governance. She had such a bright mind as an educational leader. S. Michelle always made it clear to me that she was in my corner, encouraging me with a smile and words of wisdom. I hope to carry on her legacy of positive influence on Catholic education." To view her obituary, please click here.

Dominican Sister of Sinsinawa Jeremiah Farrell, OP

Sister Jeremiah Farrell, OP, died May 8, 2019. Professed in 1954, she taught in the following schools: St. Basil, Chicago; Blessed Sacrament, Madison, WI; Annunciation, Green Bay, WI; Blessed Sacrament, Sioux City, IA; St. Joseph, Dubuque, IA; Dominican, Whitefish Bay, WI; Bethlehem Academy, Faribault, MN; Regina, Minneapolis; and Queen of Peace, Burbank, IL.



Sr. Jeremiah served at St. Dominic Villa, Dubuque, IA, in the culinary arts and as activity director and at the Motherhouse, Sinsinawa, in the transportation department. She ministered as kitchen manager at Christ House, Washington, DC, and adult education director and teacher at Marillac Social Center, Chicago. May she rest in peace.

Dominican Sister of Sparkill

Thérèse Tangney, OP

Sister Thérèse Tangney, OP of the Dominican Sisters, Sparkill, New York, died on may 7, 2019 in Montefiore Nyack Hospital, Nyack, NY. She was 92 years old. The daughter of Nicholas and Teresa Whelan Tangney, Thérèse was born in New York, NY on April 5, 1927. She entered the Dominican Congregation of Our Lady of the Rosary in Sparkill on September 8,1953 and received the name Sister Gerald Thérèse. She professed her first vows in 1955 and final vows in 1960. To view her obituary, please click here.



Dominican Sister of Springfield Mary Alan Russell, OP

Springfield Dominican Sister M. Alan Russel died May 2, 2019, at Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Ill. She was born in Springfield in 1931, the only child of Leslie and Margaret (Cusker) Russell, who named her Audree Ellen. She made her profession of vows in 1951 at Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield. To view her obituary, please click here.



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