



June 16, 2016 S. MICHAEL ANN AUBIN, OSF

Dear Sisters, Associates, Co-Workers, Family and Friends,

On June 11, as Sisters and Associates were gathered in the Motherhouse Chapel for the annual Missioning Ceremony, Sister Michael Ann Aubin completed her long and grace-filled journey on earth. Since the previous evening, several Sisters had prayed by her bedside as Sister Michael Ann joyfully accepted her "missioning" to eternal life.

The third of five children born to Marguerite and Arthur Aubin on November 3, 1923, Sister Michael Ann (Eleanor) spent her early childhood years in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. The family moved to Richmond, Indiana, which proved to be the stimulus that set in motion the call to become a Sister of St. Francis. Because of the influence of her aunt, Sister Madeleine Aubin, as well as that of the Sisters missioned at St. Andrew's Parish in Richmond, she eventually told her mother of her desire to become a Sister. She entered the convent in 1941 and rejoiced in the vocations of her siblings: Henry became a Brother of the Sacred Heart; Mary and Lilly married and Joseph was ordained a priest for the Lansing diocese.

For over fifty years, Sister Michael Ann excelled as a primary teacher. She remarked that she didn't mind when she was transferred because the new place would have just as many children waiting for her to teach them. She joined parish choirs, enthusiastically helped at parish festivals and generally tried to support parish life, thus supporting parish families. From April through October, she cheered the Reds on, whether victorious or not.

When she retired to Oldenburg, she was asked to oversee the cancelled postage stamp collection ministry. For seventeen years she worked diligently and invited other retired Sisters to join her. She encouraged Sisters to put a box in their school faculty rooms to collect cancelled stamps and often called to see if their efforts were successful.

Sister Michael Ann was regarded as a thoughtful person who knew how to make others comfortable. On their birthdays, many Sisters received an envelope containing a candy bar, and they would know it was from her even without her signature. Her devotion to the Sacred Heart was well known and was something she instilled in her many students.

Our sympathy goes out to Fr. Joe, Lilly, cousin Loupatti and other relatives, friends, classmates, and our dedicated nursing staff. In this her 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year, may Sister Michael Ann continue to shine in eternity as the beloved daughter of God that she was when she lived among us.

In peace,

Side Maye Niemer OSF S. Margie Niemer

for the General Council

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Born: November 3, 1923 Entered Religious Life: September 4, 1941 Entered Eternal Life: June 11, 2016

## MISSIONS AT WHICH S. MICHAEL ANN AUBIN SERVED:

1943-1946	Little Flower, Indianapolis, IN
1946-1958	St. Joseph of Nazareth, Cincinnati, OH
1958-1962	St. Leo, Cincinnati, OH
1962-1963	St. Vincent's Orphanage, Vincennes, IN
1963-1964	St. Andrew, Richmond, IN
1964-1967	St. Mary, North Vernon, IN
1967-1968	St. John the Baptist, Dover, IN
1968-1973	St. Joseph, St. Leon, IN
1973-1974	Sacred Heart, Troy, MO
1974-1975	St. Mary (John XXIII Elementary), Middletown, OH
1975-1983	St. Mary, Lanesville, IN
1983-1993	St. Lawrence, Lawrenceburg, IN
1993-2016	Motherhouse, Oldenburg, IN

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Weigel Funeral Home – visit their website to view Sister's online memorial, and if desired, an online condolence may be left on the site to share with her family and the Franciscan Sisters – www.Weigelfh.com

Memorial Donations in Sister's memory may be given online at www.OldenburgFranciscans.org