

In Memoriam

SISTER CECILIA JOSEPH, C.S.M.

In the early hours of Saturday, November 3, the soul of Sister Cecilia Joseph, C.S.M., passed to its eternal reward: "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, . . . for their works follow them" (Apoc. XIV, 13).

The deceased was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gallant, and was born at Egmont Bay thirty-four years ago. She received her early education in the district school, and later attended Prince of Wales and St. Dunstan's Colleges. In September, 1930, she entered the Novitiate of the Sisters of St. Martha, Charlottetown, and seven years later bound herself irrevocably to God by the triple vows of religion.

Her intellectual endowments, and especially her rare musical talent, were soon recognized. For several years she devoted herself to the study of music, and obtained an Honor Diploma from McGill University. As director of the choir at St. Dunstan's University, she ever strove to impart to the students her own great love for Gregorian Chant. Despite her failing health she continued to labour with unremitting zeal and devotion, and succeeding in raising the standard of St. Dunstan's choir to a very high level. She will be long remembered by the students for her quiet efficiency, her cheerful disposition, and her unfailing devotion to duty.

The great sufferings of her last weeks on earth she bore with Christian courage and perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Fortified by Extreme Unction and Holy Viaticum, she gave back her spotless soul to her Creator on the anniversary of her birth.

The funeral was held on Monday, November 5, at Mount St. Mary's, where Solemn Requiem High Mass was offered by Rev. Lawrence Landrigan, assisted by Rev. J. P. E. O'Hanley, deacon, Rev. F. L. Cass, subdeacon, Arthur MacInnis, master of ceremonies, Francis Ledwell, thurifer, and Preston Hammill and John Cash, acolytes. Present also were His Excellency Most Rev. James Boyle, Very Rev. R. V. MacKenzie, Rev. R. G. Ellsworth, Rev. J. W. McCardle, Rev. P. J. Gallery, C.S.S.R., and Rev. William Murphy, C.S.S.R. Final absolution was given by His Excellency Bishop Boyle. Interment was in Mount St. Mary's cemetery, where the service was conducted by Father O'Hanley. The pallbearers, six members of St. Dunstan's choir, were: Charles MacIvor, James Morris, Raymond Gallant, James Kelly, Clark MacAulay, and Frank O'Connor.

Requiescat in peace.