



LORETTO IN AMERICA
1880 - 1980



Foundress

Mary Ward, I.B.V.M.

1609

St. Omer

The Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary had its beginning in 1609 when Mary Ward with five companions opened their first school in St. Omer, Belgium for Catholic refugee children from England. Many foundations grew from this beginning.

It was from Ireland in 1847 that five Sisters were sent to Canada. In due time a Canadian Generalate was formed. The Motherhouse is Loretto Abbey, Toronto, Ontario.



Superior General

Angelina Shannon, I.B.V.M.

1980

Toronto



St. Mary's Academy, Joliet, Ill.

August 30, 1880 marks the coming of IBVM from Canada to the United States. Reverend Walter Power and Reverend Maurice Burke, two pastors in Joliet, Illinois, had written to Mother Teresa Dease in Toronto, asking her now "to do something for the West." This year we celebrate that foundation. IBVM worked for thirty-eight years in Joliet, teaching in four parish elementary schools and conducting St. Mary's Academy, a boarding and day school for girls.

Founding Sisters

M. Gonzaga Gallivan	1843-1912
M. Dosithea Gibney	1842-1917
M. Ludwina Doyle	-1888
M. Agnes McKenna	1847-1927
M. Bathilda McBrady	1853-1939
M. Angels Lynn	1854-1924
M. Amelia Hurley	1855-1920

1896 - Loretto Convent, Sault Ste. Marie, MI

Sister Marietta Brummel
Sister Ellen Enright (Marie John)
Sister Rita Jacques (St. David)
Sister Anita Mayer (Camille)
Sister Marion Murphy (Philomena)
Sister St. Aedan Porter
Sister Mary Quinn (Corona)
Sister Lucy Romano (Philip)
Sister Magdalena Savoie
Sister Mary Ann White (Mark)

1905 - Loretto Convent, Chicago, IL

Sister Patricia Hewitt (Aquinas)
Sister Margaret O'Connor (Aileen)
Sister Therese O'Sullivan (Helene)

1920 - St. Bride Convent, Chicago, IL

Sister Rose Beyer
Sister Johanna Centala
Sister Mary Patricia Doolin (Rosaria)
Sister Florence Hayes (St. Camillus)
Sister Ruby Lynch (St. Julia)
Sister Mary Clare Mracek
Sister Mary Gene Partridge (Edwardine)

1946 - Loretto Convent, Wheaton, IL

Sister M. Denise Adams
Sister M. Vivian Bliss
Sister Marguerite Cavanagh (St. Maurus)
Sister Mary Ellen Dennehy
Sister Marie Drummond (Mary Stanislaus)
Sister M. Ancilla Dwyer
Sister Therese Fenlon (St. John)
Sister M. Thecla Flynn
Sister Mary Juana Gallagher
Sister Jeanine Glute
Sister Patricia Grant
Sister Mary Alfred Guillard (St. Alfred)
Sister Catherine Hanlon (Perpetua)
Sister Dorothea Harkenrider
Sister Evelin Hinker (Sophie)
Sister Irene Howell (Pierre)
Sister M. Florentia Jacques
Sister Marita Kompare (St. Frederick)
Sister Agnes Labelle (Catalda)
Sister Petronilla Lacey
Sister Mary Madigan (Felicitas)
Sister M. Florence Maloney
Sister M. Gervase McGrogan
Sister M. Callista McGuire
Sister M. Consuela McKugo
Sister M. Patrice Mooney
Sister Mary Leah Mullin
Sister M. Beata Purpura
Sister Therese Rooney (Peter Claver)
Sister Rita Rzeppa (Francis Joseph)
Sister Mary Simpkin (Mary Patrick)
Sister Susanne Simpkin
Sister Helen Timothy
Sister Dorothy Tobin (Claire Dolores)
Sister Mary Lou Wcislo (Paul)
Sister Sharon Whelan
Sister Mary Oliver White
Sister Alice Whitehead

PRESENT IBVM COMMUNITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

1949 - St. Philomene Convent, Sacramento, CA

Sister Maria Bierma (Maria Regina)
Sister Francis Clarke (Francis de Sales)
Sister Arlene Connelly (Aima)
Sister M. Carmine
Sister John
Sister M. Louise
Sister M. Lowe (St. Catharine)
Sister M. Maddea McIlvaney
Sister Veronica Marton
Sister M. Colette Strill
Sister M. deChantal Willis

1949 - St. Gregory Convent, Phoenix, AZ

Sister Benita Bannon
Sister Jane Cushing (St. Wilfred)
Sister Francesca Esch
Sister Laverne Fullem
Sister Mary Thomas Fullem
Sister Helen LaLonde (St. Norbert)
Sister Justina Malone
Sister Catherine Murphy (Myron)
Sister Anthony Poerio (St. Anthony)
Sister Miriam Scanlon
Sister Jeannette Shean

1951 - St. Adrian Convent, Chicago, IL

Sister Marie Bourrie (St. Paul)
Sister Bernadette Burns (St. Bernadette)
Sister Mary Creighton (Cecily)
Sister Margaret Ivers (Siena)
Sister Elaine Iwanski
Sister Laura Lisson
Sister Evelyn McClosky
Sister Mary Catherine Spatz (Charles)
Sister Kenneth Sullivan
Sister Corinne Thibert

1953 - St. John Vianney Convent, Northlake, IL

Sister Deborah Arment (St. Thomas More)
Sister Mary Carton
Sister Jane Frances DuCharme
Miss Lorna Hays
Sister Mary Andre Hensel
Sister Catherine Heraty (St. Felix)
Sister Mary Keenan (Loretta)
Sister Rosemary Lynch (Donald)
Sister Marilyn Marsh (St. Patrick)
Sister Jane McKirchy (Jane Patrice)
Sister Mary Howard Moriarty
Sister Jane Siciliano (Mary James)
Sister Julie Stapleton (Mary Julie)

1954 - Our Lady of Loretto Convent, Detroit, MI

Sister Raphael Best
Sister Frances Cabrini DeMott
Sister Rebecca Guillard
Sister St. Edmund McGuire
Sister Joy Miller (St. Andrew)

1955 - Our Lady of the Assumption Convent, Carmichael, CA

Sister Mary Ellen Beck (Roland)
Sister Mary Iwanski (St. Angela)
Sister Celine Oliva
Sister Patricia Pendleton (Trinita)
Sister Constance Steffen (Louis)
Sister Blanche Turgeon

1961 - St. John of the Cross Convent, Western Springs, IL

Sister Marguerite Caulfield (Fidelis)
Sister Lorraine Crawford
Sister Elizabeth Crotty (Claret)
Sister Patricia Egan (St. Adrian)
Sister Anne Hyzy
Sister Nancy Kennelly (St. Edward)
Sister Marita Lynch
Sister Frances McCarron (Francis Xavier)
Sister Josephine O'Brien
Sister Anastasia O'Connor
Sister Mary Alice Walsh (Thérèse Martin)

1975 - St. Catherine of Alexandria Convent, Oak Lawn, IL

Sister Mary Irene Gavin
Sister Patricia Maloney (Cyril)
Sister Muriel Mauer (Concetta)
Sister Jean Okroi (Mary Richard)
Sister Esther O'Mara (Damian)
Sister Margaret Quinlan (Geraldine)
Miss Judy Strnad
Sister Claire Vandborg

1978 - Loretto Convent, Harvey, IL

Sister Arlene Ashack (Jonathan)
Sister Catherine Foley (James Kathryn)
Sister Mary Gleason (Gabriel)
Sister Eleanor Holland (Alberta)
Sister Judy Illig (Mary Brieden)
Sister Clarice Krol
Sister Barbara Nelson (Joanne)
Sister Theresa Risolo
Sister Del Rey Waite

Canadian and American IBVM BURIED in the United States

Mt. Olivet - Joliet, IL

M. Alice Quinlivan (1890)
M. Zita Monahan (1899)
M. Leonora Martin (1905)
M. Euphrosyne Harrington (1910)
M. Isabella Devlin (1916)
M. Aurelia Clark (1917)
M. Cecilia Cherrier (1918)
M. Agnes Ulm (1940)

Holy Sepulchre - Chicago, IL

M. Leo Amel (1935)
M. St. Connelly (1937)
M. Teresa Vitullo (1938)
M. Grace Dillon (1939)
M. Emiliana McGuire (1940)
M. St. Wilfrid Connelly (1940)
M. Cyril Coleman (1943)
M. Johanna Hartnett (1944)
M. Aquinas Dunne (1944)
M. Claudia Brown (1950)
M. St. Patrick O'Connor (1952)
M. Amata Buckley (1952)
M. Seraphina Petry (1953)
M. Carmela Buddle (1955)
M. St. Edward Eggert (1955)
M. Othilia McCabe (1956)
M. St. Benedict Kelly (1956)
M. Alfreda Brew (1957)
M. Paschal Madden (1959)
M. Bernardine Bannon (1963)
M. Eleanor Adatte (1965)
M. Ermelinda Schlatter (1965)
M. Anita Tapsfield (1965)
M. Lillian Ryan (1966)
M. Alphonsus Johnson (1966)
M. Berenice Sweeney (1976)

Riverside - Sault Ste. Marie, MI

M. Basilla Pigott (1913)
M. Rita Doyle (1917)
M. Bertille Doyle (1920)
M. Sylvester McCarthy (1927)
M. Editha Mulligan (1930)
M. Ancilla Haggerty (1930)
M. St. Stephen O'Neill (1938)
M. Anselm Thibert (1951)
M. Priscilla O'Donnell (1958)

Mt. Olivet - Chicago, IL

M. Catalda Shannon (1898)
M. Aldegonde O'Connor (1899)
M. Bertha Martin (1909)
M. Louisa Secord (1910)
M. Helena Fitzpatrick (1913)
M. Lioba Greaney (1914)
M. Nativity Galvin (1918)
M. Augusta McCarten (1921)
M. Frances Joseph Turner (1922)
M. Hildegard McCormick (1923)
M. Winefred Duggan (1924)
M. Rodriguez Conlin (1929)
M. Macaria Forrestal (1930)
M. Hilary Bell (1930)
M. Eudoxia Fromm (1931)
M. Placida McGrath (1932)
M. Borgia Fife (1947)

St. Michael's - Wheaton, IL

Mary Carmel Galvin (1968)
M. Pancratius Porter (1968)
M. Gonzaga Galvin (1970)
M. Xavier Cullinan (1971)
M. Avila Galley (1972)
Mary Teresa Kelly (1972)
M. St. William Gormaly (1973)
M. Laurentia Loveland (1974)
M. Leona O'Donnell (1974)
M. Macrina Cummings (1975)
M. Maura McGettrick (1976)
M. Alureda Hanna (1976)
M. Roberta Gormaly (1977)
M. Sylvester Pozega (1978)
M. Bernarda McNellis (1980)

Mt. Calvary - Sacramento, CA

M. St. Mel McNally (1968)
M. Edwarda Allen (1974)

We the sisters of the Institute
in loving gratitude pray for

the Cardinals, Bishops and Clergy,
the Civil Administrators of our country,
our parents, benefactors, pupils and friends

who joined us in our endeavors,
who supported us spiritually and financially,
who, in their own special way, furthered
the Kingdom of God.

CENTENNIAL EVENTS

Evening of Recollection with Liturgy

Pilgrimage to Joliet: First Foundation

Retreat at Wheaton for the Sisters

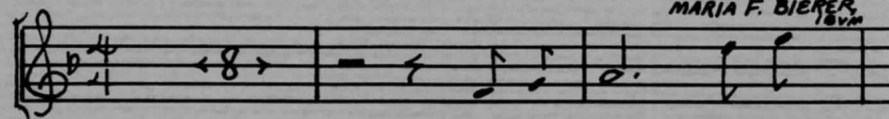
Centennial Liturgy at the Cathedral

Dinner at Palmer House

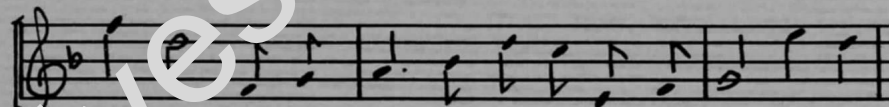
Autumn Festival

AN IRISH BLESSING

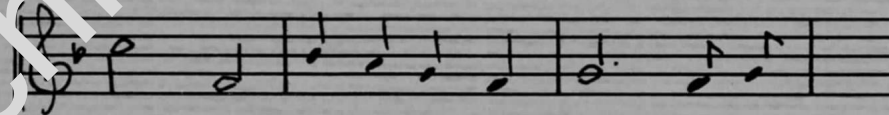
MARIA F. BIERER
1976



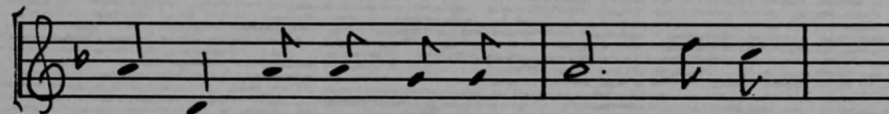
MAY THE ROAD RISE TO



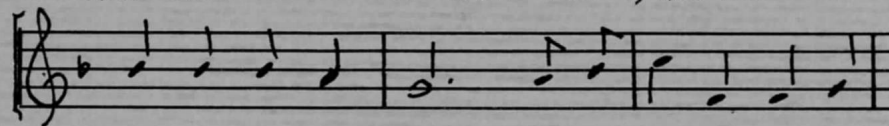
MEET YOU; MAY THE WIND BE ALWAYS AT YOUR BACK, MAY THE



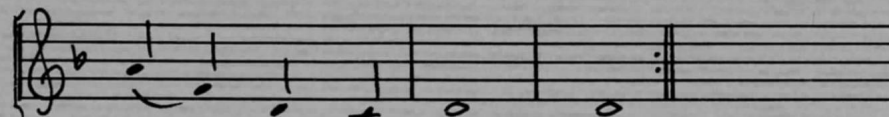
SUN SHINE WARM U-PON YOUR FACE. MAY THE



RAIN FALL SOFT U-PON YOUR FIELDS, AND UN-



TIL WE MEET A-GAIN, MAY GOD HOLD YOU IN THE



PALM OF HIS HAND.

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O Lord, we beg that all the children, who have been or are now under our care, may ever edify by word and example, may lead a holy life, and obtain the grace of a happy death.

-from IBVM prayerbook