

SISTER MARIE CHRISTINE ARCIDIACONO

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At Providence Rest in the Bronx, New York, the serene death of Sister Marie Christine Arcidiacono, 51 years of age, 17 in the religious life.

Maria Teresa Arcidiacono was born at Comune di Bronte, Catania, Sicily, on December 29, 1916 and when already a young woman came to the United States with her family. Having nourished a religious vocation for many years, she received the Baptistine habit on February 2, 1952. An excellent seamstress, she was known for her quiet, pleasant and industrious manner. For the last five years she was stationed at the novitiate where the novices and postulants were drawn to love and admire her. During the entire year prior to her death the disease wasting her body forced her to be in and out of the hospital. When she felt strong enough to remain at home, she right away busied herself at tasks on behalf of her fellow Sisters. Her way was that of a happy and dedicated religious.

As the end drew near Sister was taken to Providence Rest where nurses and other trained religious gave her all possible comfort. A number of Sisters were there on the evening of her death for they had come to attend a conference held in the same house. Together with the conference master they gathered around her praying the rosary and singing her favorite hymns between decades. She was not able to speak the last three days of her life, but showed signs of recognizing the prayers being said for her, and must have derived deep comfort from the final rosary and her beloved hymns that helped her prepare to meet her Spouse.

MAY SHE REST IN PEACE!