

**SR. MARY EUGENE GILMORE, C.S.JB.**

**December 10, 1938 – February 17, 2005**

**Sr. Mary Eugene Gilmore was born in Brooklyn, New York, on December 10, 1938, the youngest of six children, to Eugene William Gilmore and Mary Clarkin.**

**On September 15, 1956, Sister entered the Congregation of Sisters of St. John the Baptist and made her first profession of vows on May 12, 1958.**

**Sister began her life of dedication and loving service to God immediately after her first profession and was assigned to the ministry of teaching at Mt. St. John Academy, Gladstone. From here Sister graciously responded to God's call throughout her religious life and served the Congregation not only as a teacher on the elementary, high school and college levels, but also as Principal of Mt. St. John Academy, Gladstone, Guidance Counselor at St. John Villa Academy High School, Staten Island, Director of Temporary Professed Sisters, Superior and Provincial Councilor in the American Province, and General Councilor in Rome.**

**Among her many talents and gifts, Sr. Mary Eugene was an avid reader, enjoyed crocheting and was fond of the theater, listening to music and traveling...worldwide. Perhaps her greatest gift was her generosity of spirit; Sister was extremely gracious and giving in anything she was asked to do by her Community, Superiors, or Sisters in Christ...without ever counting the cost...she did whatever she was asked with all the love of her heart. And this most definitely flowed from her deep love of God and commitment to prayer. Christ was always the center and focus of her life and she trusted Him implicitly in all of her needs. During the final days of Sister's illness, as the Community prayed the Founder's prayer asking for a miracle for Sr. Mary Eugene, Sister's response was that she had already received her miracle in the fact that she had accepted what God was asking of her at this time in her life and she was resigned to do His will.**

**On February 17, 2005, surrounded by her Sisters and those who loved her so dearly, Sr. Mary Eugene went to meet her Divine Spouse in a spirit of quiet and peaceful resignation. Now in the company of our Blessed Founder and all the angels and saints in heaven, she is resting in God's eternal vision and peace, where she continues to pray for us.**

***“Veni Sponsa Christi, accipe coronam  
quam tibi Dominus praeparavit in aeternum.”***