

SISTER MATILDA BISSO (January 17, 1909 December 13, 1989)

Sr. Matilda Bisso, was born in Manhattan on January 17, 1909. She was christened Irene. Sr. Matilda entered at St. John Villa Academy, Staten Island January 1, 1926, where she was also a student. She received the habit on August 15, 1927 and made perpetual vows on August 15, 1933.

From the time of her first profession, August 28, 1927, to January 1937, Sister Matilda taught at Mt. St. John Academy, Gladstone, N.J. and St. Lucy's, in Newark. From 1937 to 1941, Sister was directress of resident students at St. John Villa Academy, Staten Island. Sister was then transferred to Brooklyn where she served for a total of twenty four years in Our Lady of Pompei and Most Precious Blood parishes. Sr. Matilda assumed the responsibility of organist, catechetical instructor., the sodality moderator and the nursery. Sister Matilda retired to Mt. St. John Convent in 1976.

Sister Matilda was afflicted with poor health for most of her religious life. However, she accepted her infirmities with a smile, doing God's will. She loved parties and loved to reminisce about the "good old days" at these gatherings.

On October 26th, 1989, Sister was admitted to St. Agnes Hospital for hip surgery which proved to be most successful, and she was discharged within ten days. In the morning of December 13, 1989 after receiving her morning care, Sister was sitting alone in her room, when the Father called her to Himself.

We will truly miss her presence.

MAY SHE REST PEACE!