

THE THIRD TWENTY-FIVE YEARS 1961 - 1985

This third twenty-five years is dedicated to the memory of Sister Mary Alice Stein, who served St. Philip Parish as a devoted teacher and principal for thirteen influential years.



Edna Stein, born January 13, 1914 in Newport, Kentucky, entered St. Anne Convent, Melbourne, Ky., on August 18, 1929. Persevering in her desire to live totally for the Lord, she was received into the Novitiate on August 28, 1930, and made her first Profession of Vows on August 29, 1931.

As a dedicated teacher and principal, Sister Mary Alice Stein devoted 45 years of her life to the teaching profession. Sister spent her first 20 years at St. John School, Dry Ridge, Ohio (1933-1953). She then served our own parish of St. Philip from 1953 to 1966, where she influenced many students and parents through her generous spirit and warm heart. With that same dedication, she then served St. Aloysius, Covington (1966-1967); St. Michael Parish, Wheeling, West Virginia (1967-1969); Christ The King, Lexington (1969-1970); St. Joseph, Camp Spring (1970-1978).

Sister's own spirit of diligent work, and her exceptional way of life permeated the lives of her many students and acquaintances. Even after leaving St. Philip's, she would often return to attend our various social functions where she was always surrounded by her many, many friends.

Sister Mary Alice retired from the classroom in 1978, but continued to be active as a core member of Aletheia House of Prayer at St. Anne Convent until 1984. Her warmth and personal charm continued as a blessing to all visitors of Aletheia.

In August, 1984, Sister Mary Alice was engaged to serve part time at Holy Family Home. After ministering only a short time, Sister was hospitalized in September for cancer. She left the hospital for a short time, and then on February 10, she was again admitted to St. Luke Hospital. Tests showed that the cancer was still active.

After suffering much physical pain, but having been the recipient of many prayers from priests, religious and lay friends, Sister Mary Alice died at St. Luke Hospital on February 14, 1985, at 3:50 p.m. She was 71 years of age and was professed for 54 years.

Let us rejoice and give thanks for Sister Mary Alice and for her faithful and loving devotion to her sacred vocation. Please remember her in your prayers that in eternity she may enjoy full communion with her Lord.