Sister Mary Grace Ollinger, CSA

Sister Mary Grace Ollinger, CSA (Helen Magdalena), died peacefully, May 8, 2012, at St. Francis Home.

She was born October 21, 1917, in Cincinnati, Ohio, to John Ollinger and Elizabeth (Mueller) Ollinger and was one of six children.

Sister Mary Grace was professed August 15, 1948. She became an elementary and later a high school teacher after graduating from Marian College (now University) and from St. Rose College in Albany, New York. She taught in Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois, and Kansas. She also ministered as the motherhouse librarian, and did office work at Marian College of Fond du Lac.

She was preceded in death by: her parents John and Elizabeth Ollinger, one sister Catherine Knapp and one brother Nicholas Ollinger.

She is survived by: two sisters, Mary Vollmere and Betty Pomerante, and one brother John Ollinger, and by the Sisters of St. Agnes, with whom she lived, prayed, and ministered.

Visitation for Sister Mary Grace will be from 10:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, 2012, at Nazareth Court & Center, 375 Gillett Street, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The prayer service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 10.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday May, 10, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Francis Home chapel. Father Ken Smits, OFM Cap, will preside. Burial will take place at St. Joseph Springs Cemetery.

Memorials may be directed to the Sisters of St. Agnes Development Office, 320 County Road K, Fond du Lac, WI 54937.

The Sisters of St. Agnes are grateful to the nurses and staff of Nazareth Court and Center/St. Francis Home for their care of Sister Mary Grace Ollinger in her last years and to the staff of Hospice Hope.