

***Sister M. Zita Stripinas***  
***April 18, 1892 – January 16, 1948***



***Secular Name:*** Veronica  
***Entrance:*** May 5, 1925  
***Place of Birth:*** Latvia  
***Parents:*** Vincent and Eva

***Ministry:***

Veronica came to America when she was in her late 20's with her sisters. They settled in Chicago. She was recommended by Monsignor Krusas, then pastor of St. George's Church in Chicago to enter the postulancy of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God.

After more than one full year as a postulant she was invested with 15 others on August 12, 1926. She was given the religious name of Sister M. Zita.

Professed one year later, Sister Zita was to assume housekeeping duties in our convents in Detroit, DuBois, Esplen, Homestead and Cleveland.

She suffered for a period of three years with cancer. Her death on January 16, 1948 brought to a close 26 years of religious life.

***“My heart is steadfast; I will praise you all my days.”***