

***Sister M. Cecilia Lepo***  
***June 7, 1918 - January 8, 1999***



***Secular Name:*** Pauline  
***Entrance:*** January 28, 1929  
***Place of Birth:*** Philadelphia  
***Parents:*** Enoch and Anna  
***Siblings:*** Julia, Anna, Joana, Joseph, Albert

***Higher Education:*** Duquesne University  
***Degree:*** Bachelor in Music

***Ministry:***

Sister Cecilia entered the community from St. George Parish in Philadelphia. Her first assignment was at Holy Trinity School in Hartford Connecticut where she taught 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. From 1938-44 she taught middle school children at St. Peter's in Kenosha, Wisconsin. She taught music at St. Francis Academy in 1944-45 returning to the Academy in 1948 and remaining as a music teacher until 1952.

Sister Cecelia resumed teaching middle school students at St. Gabriel's in Whitehall from 1952 until 1958. She served a dual role in 1958 and 1959 as Principal and teacher of 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Sister served as Principal at St. Gabriel's from 1959 until 1963 when she was appointed Mistress of Novices from 1962 until 1968. She continued teaching until 1988 when she returned to the Motherhouse. Sister Cecelia continued to be actively involved in various services until 1993 when she was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. She remained in the Infirmary under the burden of her illness until her death on January 8, 1999.

***"A thing of beauty is a joy forever: It's loveliness increases:  
it will never pass into nothingness. "***