

***Sister M. Christine Ginkiewicz***  
***April 12, 1912 - March 25, 2005***



***Secular Name:*** Adele  
***Entrance:*** August 11, 1928  
***Place of Birth:*** Philadelphia PA  
***Parents:*** Leon and Mary  
***Siblings:*** Julia, Benedicta, Mary  
***Elementary School:*** St. John Cantius School,  
Pittsburgh H.S., St. Francis  
Academy  
***Higher Education:*** Vytauto Didg, Lithuania;  
Duquesne University;  
University of Detroit  
***Degrees:*** BS in Ed; Masters in Admin.

***Ministry:***

Adele was the second child born to Leon and Mary Ginkiewicz. Because her parents owned a meat market, her formative years were entrusted to the care of a governess. During 7<sup>th</sup> grade her mother became seriously ill and Adele promised if her mother recovered she would become a religious.

After completing her high school education, she entered the Novitiate of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God and was known as Sister Christine.

After completing one year of teaching. Sister Christine set sail for Lithuania where she studied the customs of Lithuania in order to better serve the people during her mission there. Upon her return to the USA she continued working with the Lithuanian immigrants in Long Island NY while also studying Biology at St. John's University.

Because of her intense interest in the field of science, in addition to teaching the subject to junior high school students she also served as Co-Director of the Jr. Academy of Science during her years in Philadelphia. Sister's teaching career spanned approximately 50 years in all grades as well as serving as Principal and Superior.

Upon her return to Assisi Hall as a Prayer Minister, Sister Christine was a familiar sight as she walked through the halls, always dressed impeccably with her gentle smile and gracious demeanor to all she met.

***"I will walk in Your Presence, God, in the place where you live."***

***(Psalm 116)***