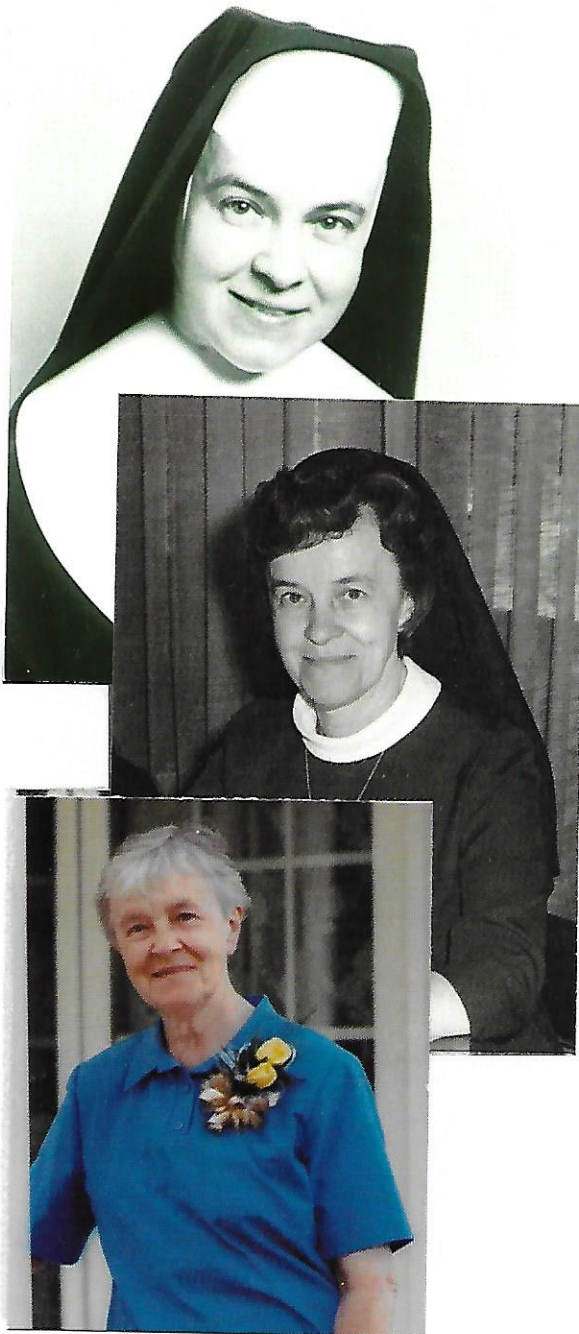


Sister Marietta Zvirblis
November 5, 1925 - June 3, 2009



Secular Name: Helen Elizabeth
Entrance: February 8, 1946
Place of Birth: Detroit MI
Parents: John and Anna
Siblings: Sophie, Stanley, Alphonse, John, Mary, Anne, Valerie, Veronica

Elementary School: St. George School
High School: Northern High, Detroit
Higher Education: B.A. Ed Mt. Mercy College
M.A. Ed University of Detroit

Ministry:

Sister Marietta began her teaching career in the primary grades in Pittsburgh. She also taught in Grand Rapids and Detroit, MI, Bethel Park, Homestead and back again to Pittsburgh. From 1966 to 1971, she served as Principal in Homestead and at St. Gabriel School in Pittsburgh from 1971 to 1980.

In 1981 Sister Marietta was elected to serve on the General Leadership team of her congregation as the Councilor for Ministries. During these years she founded a day care center which bears the name of Franciscan Child Day Care Center. In 1985 she became the first director of the program and remained in that position until 1996.

In 1998 Sister Marietta returned to her beloved St. Gabriel Parish where she did secretarial work in the Religious Education Office and served as the Administrative Assistant at St. Gabriel rectory. She was responsible for the formation of the St. Gabriel Alumni Association, which had long been a dream of hers. In 2008 she retired from St. Gabriel's.

During her final years of life Sister Marietta continued to offer her prayerful thanks to all who had been part of her life.

"Bless the work of our hands, O God."