

Sister Mary Immaculata Miltenis
April 26, 1923 – March 5, 2009



<i>Secular Name:</i>	Adele
<i>Entrance:</i>	September 8, 1940
<i>Place of Birth:</i>	Brooklyn NY
<i>Parents:</i>	Stanislaus and Stella
<i>Siblings:</i>	Charles
<i>Elementary School:</i>	St. Ann's School
<i>High School:</i>	St. Francis Academy
<i>Higher Education:</i>	Duquesne University B.A. Education

Ministry:

Sister Immaculata began her teaching career in the primary grades. She taught in Pittsburgh and in Amsterdam, NY. Her Brazil ministry began when she was forty years old. She served there for 46 years. On the occasion of her 5th Jubilee in 2005, she wrote "I can honestly say my accepting the choice to be appointed to Brazil has been most satisfying and rewarding." She felt connected to both the USA and Brazil Provinces.



In addition to educational and pastoral work, Sister Immaculata also served in the Brazil Province as local coordinator and treasurer. Just four years prior to her death she was still teaching English to the children at St. Clare Social Center in Via Alpina. Many of our younger sisters who lived with her learned popular songs and nursery rhymes in English from singing with her.

When Sister Immaculata's health began to fail, she was asked to live with the sisters at Paz e Bem. Though this change was difficult, she accepted it with her usual gentle spirit and grace.

When preparing for her 65th Jubilee, Sister Immaculata said she wanted to be ready and available to sing "Here I am, Lord, I come to do your will." She wanted to be ready to do and be whatever the Lord had prepared for her, no matter what the cost. She served the congregation for 69 years. 46 of them were spent as a missionary in Brazil.

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