



Sister Lucy Palm, OSU (Prelate), was called into God's eternal embrace on July 12 at the age of 81. Daughter of Adolph and Anna Palm, she was born on January 25, 1940 and grew up on the family farm near Goodsoil, SK. While she and her four brothers had responsibilities for chores, there was plenty of time for play. Lucy loved school (where she learned English), loved storytelling and especially cherished the stories her parents related about their dreams, fears and events that brought them to Canada. Acquaintance with the Ursuline Sisters came when she went to Goodsoil for her high school

education. In 1958 she graduated from Grade Twelve and upon giving some consideration to attending the school of nursing at Humboldt, she decided to follow the promptings within and join the Ursuline Sisters at Prelate. She entered the novitiate in 1959. She attended Teacher's College in Saskatoon and then engaged in twenty years as a much loved primary school teacher. Her educational career included one year at Barthel Public School, eleven at George Vanier School in Saskatoon, and eight at St. Alphonsus School in Yorkton.

She spent many years in service of her Ursuline Congregation. For two years she served as novice directress in the Intercommunity Formation experience in Arnprior, ON. For some thirty years she served on the Congregation's Leadership Team, mostly as First Assistant and General Secretary, positions she held until the time of her death. These years were filled with many challenges and blessings. While at Arnprior, she was privileged to visit Ursuline roots in Montreal and Quebec City. Later, a trip to Alaska and a visit to her relatives in Germany kept her in touch with the wider world.

Deeply rooted in the charism of St. Angela, in 1987 she and two other Ursulines opened a residence for women university students. In a "home away from home" on Elliott Street, they offered them an experience of a warm and caring Christian community. An excellent cook, a meticulous housekeeper and generous host, Sister Lucy was in charge of this residence for sixteen years during which time she served as a "second mother" to many young women including foreign students. Another highlight in her life was the volunteer service she gave for six years at the Bishop Murray School Day Care for infant children of teen moms. She engaged in further volunteer ministry by helping with the Time Out for Moms program and in managing the Bookstore at Queen's House.

In the mid 1990's, the power of prayer, her positive attitude and the loving care of community, family and friends, helped her come through the trauma of cancer surgery and the follow-up chemotherapy treatment. Her move to Trinity Manor in 2014 was exciting and refreshing for her. When she was diagnosed with cancer in 2016, she appreciated the care and support she received from fellow Sisters, residents and staff members while she was going through these difficult times.

Her Ursuline community will miss her greatly for her calm composure, warm gentleness, enthusiasm for life, fidelity to prayer and total dedication to her ministry in the service of others. The array of her many beautiful garden and houseplants will leave its fragrance for those who knew her.

Left to mourn her loss are her Ursuline Community, her brothers John, Reinhold, Karl, her sister-in-law Fe, several nephews and only niece, Keshia.

Sister Lucy was predeceased by her father in 1960, her mother in 1996, her brother Walter, sisters-in-law Evelyn (Reinhold), and Sheila (John).

The Ursulines extend sincere thanks to Trinity Manor staff and to the palliative team at St. Paul's Hospital for their compassionate, loving care of Sister Lucy.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Philip Parish, 1902 Munroe Ave., Saskatoon on Thursday, July 15 at 10:00 a.m. (Masks are encouraged)