

REFLECTIONS FOR SABINA R.I.P.

Firstly may I join with sr. Judith , and the lcn sisters here and all in the province, friends and family, I welcome you. A particular welcome to sabinas family as we celebrate her life today, and join in thanks giving for a woman who was totally committed to God and the Little Company of Mary.

In her 96<sup>th</sup> year, and after 76 years in religion, Sabina has truly gained her eternal reward, rejoicing with her Lord and Master.

Sabinas motto To Jesus through Mary, must surely have been her strength and guide throughout those many years, and with the support and love of many people, her known faith and devotion to the rosary, that is how Sabina travelled her journey through life.

The many changes that she would have seen throughout her own life both in religious life and the Church would have been highly significant, and judging from the many places that Sabina worked many of our health facilities in Australia, and New Zealand she seemed able to accept the many changes not only externally but within herself also in terms of adaptation to the changing times.

Sabina amongst many other things taught Sisters how to sing, some were good, some not so good,  
And Sabina would let us know whether you would survive as a member of the choir or not.

Sabina also accepted her appointment to leadership in New Zealand during the 70s, and returned to Australia to minister at Wallaroo in South Australia which I know she really enjoyed.

When she was transferred to Maternal Heart Convent, she regularly visited our Sisters in the Nursing home, and kept up Her wonderful spinning, going to these lessons was an enjoyable time for her and her spinning results were second to none.

The last few years of Sabinas life was in the Nursing Home at Dalton Gardens, and she was always ready to give a smile. When she didn't recognise you, or you felt she didn't, and one would start talking about LCM, Mary Potter etc, her eyes would then start looking for our Congregational Symbol, and once she saw that, she was able to identify that she was engaging with another LCM.

Nobody could survive 76 years without spiritual nourishment, and Sabina made sure of that, by doing various courses over the years.

**Today we farewell an LCM woman who loved our foundress  
Venerable Mary Potter, who lived her spirit, who was a  
faithful and faithfilled servant of the Lord.**

**We thank you for what you have given and for what you  
have done in the development of many new pathways of the  
Little Company of Mary , for your generosity of heart and  
spirit, and may you now rest in peace with your God.**