

***“May Christ bring us all together to everlasting life.”***

***Rule of St. Benedict, Chapter 72***



**Sister Marie  
Rademacher, OSB**

**Born: October 24, 1925**

**Professed: July 11, 1945**

**Died: March 26, 2019**



Sister Marie Rademacher went home to God on March 26, 2019, having lived and ministered as a Benedictine Sister for 73 years.

Sister Marie was born to Helen (Dols) and Peter Rademacher on October 24, 1925, in Richmond, Minnesota. Her family moved to Stewart where she attended the Catholic School through the eighth grade. She then transferred to St. Benedict's High School in St. Joseph. She entered the Community there and made her first Profession in 1945.

Sister Marie was one of the founding members of the newly established St. Paul's Priory in 1948. She received her teacher's certificate from the Diocesan Teachers College in St. Paul and later her B.A. in elementary education from the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul. She taught for 47 years in various schools: Holy Redeemer in Montgomery; St. Bernard's and Immaculate Heart of Mary in St. Paul; Visitation in Minneapolis; Sacred Heart in Robbinsdale; St. Hubert in Chanhassen and St. Andrew in Fairfax.

Sister Marie enjoyed her teaching years and loved her students. She had many stories that she was eager to share. "I could teach the basic skills and help the children understand how to live the simple truths of our Catholic faith." For 20 summers, she taught religious education in parishes that did not have a Catholic school. Sister Marie got to know many children and their families and she treasured the memories.

After retiring from teaching, Sister Marie began a new ministry to the elderly at Saint Therese of New Hope in 1994. She witnessed and respected the dignity, faith and wisdom of the residents and felt privileged to be with them as they transitioned from this life to their eternal home. After serving for 16 years at Saint Therese, Sister Marie retired again and returned home to the Monastery in 2010. It was there in the Healthcare Center that she continued her ministry of prayer, care and compassion.

Sister Marie enjoyed visiting with her family and delighted in sharing her family stories with her Benedictine family. She is preceded in death by her parents; brothers Eugene and Aloysius; sisters S. Sidora, OSB, S. Claretta, OSB and Adella. She is survived by her Benedictine Community of Sisters, Oblates and Associates and her nephews, many grandnieces, grandnephews and cousins.

Sister Marie Rademacher lived her life of service with great love and we rejoice that she has reached her goal—Everlasting Life promised by Jesus, our Risen Savior. ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!

***Community of St. Paul's Monastery***

***Sisters, Oblates and Benedictine Associates***

***Sister Paula Hagen, OSB, Prioress***

***St. Paul, Minnesota***

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## WISDOM

I, Wisdom, am with you.

I am a light that will never grow dim.

Love me and you will see me.

Look for me and you will find me.

At the slightest indication of your  
desire for me, I will make  
myself known to you.

Watch for me at the very start of what you  
are about, and you will have no trouble.

You will find me, ever present,  
sitting at your table.

Even thinking about my  
presence will help you.

Be aware of my presence, my concern,  
my willingness to inspire and to instruct you.

As you meet with each other,  
I will meet with each and all of you.

**Amen.**

[Adapted from: *Wisdom, The Good Life* by Sister Irene  
Nowell, OSB]