



*“Faith in the resurrection
opens up fraternal communion
beyond the threshold of death ...”.*
(RoL 24)



Today, 02 November 2023 at 10.00 pm
in the community of Casa Madre-Albano Laziale (RM), our sister

GIUSEPPINA, sr M. FATIMA DE NARDO

has parted this earthly life.

She was 94 years old and 67 years of religious life.

As we entrust our sister, Sr Fatima to the Father’s Mercy, and listen to the words of the psalmist: *I am certain that I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living*, we believe that these are the seal of the faith and hope that have inhabited our sister in her life as a faithful Pastorella.

Giuseppina was born on 13 August 1929 in Cardinale (CZ) and was baptized in the Parish of San Nicola di Bari on 17 August 1929, in her hometown. She entered the Congregation on 09 November 1950 in Genzano (RM) and on 02 September 1955 she entered the novitiate in Albano Laziale – Mother House (RM). She made her first profession on 03 September 1956 in Albano - Mother House, taking the name of Sr M. Fatima. She made her final profession on 03 September 1961, again in Albano Laziale – Mother House (RM).

Sisters testify that she was a generous, welcoming sister, gifted with a practical intelligence that made her creative in the mission, especially with children and young people. She was a woman of prayer, very attentive to people, and never too tired for others. In recent times she found life difficult but accepted her illness with faith.

After entering the Congregation, she remained in Genzano for a period of time, and in 1951 she was sent to the community of Bussi sul Tirino (PE) and Sedilo (OR). In 1953 she was transferred to Consandolo (FE), where she remained until entering the novitiate in 1955. After her first profession, she returned to Consandolo (FE) where she remained until 1973. Subsequently, she carried out her pastoral ministry mainly in catechesis, training of pastoral workers, kindergarten, family pastoral care, and assistance to the poor in the following communities: 1973 Castellamare di Stabia - San Antonio (NA); 1975 Solara (MO); 1978 Gizzeria (CZ); 1980 Bari – San Paolo (BA).

In 1982 she returned to Albano Laziale-Mother House to spend a sabbatical year after which she continued her mission in these communities: 1983 Statte (TA) where she also served as community superior; 1990 Castellamare di Stabia – Annunziatella (NA); 1998 Avellino – Borgo Ferrovia (AV); 2001 Castellamare di Stabia – Annunziatella (NA); 2006 Rome – Axa (RM); 2007 Lavorate (SA); 2008 Sambiasse (CZ) where she also served as superior of the community.

In 2018, due to the precariousness of her health, she returned to Albano Laziale - Casa Madre, where she remained until this day, receiving the necessary care to live her illness with serenity and faith.

We thank the sisters of the Albano community and the staff for their concern, generosity, and love, in offering Sr Fatima medical care and also the support, like sisters, to live peacefully her time of illness which became more serious.

Dearest Sister Fatima, we thank the Good Shepherd for the gift you have been for us and for all the people you met and took care of in your pastoral ministry. We entrust to your intercession the people who suffer due to war and we ask you to intercede before the Father for the gift of Peace.

Sr Aminta Sarmiento Puentes
Superior General

Rome, 02 November 2023

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed