Sr. Anne Torretta, ASCJ

Sr. Anne Torretta, ASCJ died Saturday morning, September 20, 2008, at Sacred Heart Manor in Hamden, CT. Born in St. Louis, MO, the daughter of the late Ernest and Angela (Baldoli) Torretta, Sr. Anne entered the Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (then known as the Apostolic Sisters of the Sacred Heart) on July 7, 1926. She professed her first vows in New Haven, CT on July 8, 1928, and her perpetual vows on August 22, 1933, both in New Haven.

Sr. Anne spent most of her 48 years of active ministry teaching and administrating in elementary schools in New York, Pennsylvania, and Missouri. For three years she served as local superior at St. Anthony Home in New Haven, CT providing for the needs of orphaned children. In 1976, the inaugural year of Sacred Heart Manor in Hamden, CT, Sister retired to the Manor and spent the next 32 years of her life as an ever-faithful Apostle Adorer, praying for the needs of her much beloved family, her Sisters, and the ministries of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart.

During this past year, Sr. Anne joyously celebrated her 101st birthday and her 80th jubilee of religious profession. Blessed with a beautiful smile and a wonderful sense of humor, she loved to remind everyone that although the Lord has promised a hundredfold to his faithful followers, He had not been absolutely truthful...according to Sr. Anne, the return was a thousandfold! Sr. Anne is survived by many dearly loved and loving nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, great great nieces, and great great nephews.