



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



Today, 05 December 2021 at 6.30am
in Regina Apostolorum Hospital, Albano laziale (RM)
our sister, **LOREDANA, Sr ELISABETTA MANONI**
returned to the Father's House.
She was 76 years old and 55 years of Religious Life

Every time I pray for all of you, I pray with joy, remembering how you have helped to spread the Good News from the day you first heard it right up to the present (Phil 1:4-5). These words taken from the second reading of the Second Sunday of Advent, describe the spirit with which our sister, Loredana, has lived the time she dedicated to the care of her sister Francesca: prayer and offering for the mission of the Pastorelle.

Loredana was born on 01 February 1945 in Corinaldo (AN) and baptized on the 10th of the same month in her hometown. Loredana entered the Congregation on 27 July 1964 in Albano Laziale - Mother House, where she did her novitiate, which began on 02 September 1965. On the following year, she made her first profession and on 03 September 1972, she made her perpetual profession taking the name of Sr Elisabetta.

After her first profession, Sr Loredana was sent to Bussi sul Tirino (PE) where she carried out various duties. She returned to Albano Laziale-Mother House in 1967 to devote herself to study and to prepare for the apostolate. In 1969 she returned to Bussi sul Tirino, first to complete her training as a kindergarten teacher and then to carry out the service of teacher. In 1976, she went back to Albano Laziale-Mother House making herself available for different needs. In 1991, Sr Loredana asked for leave of absence from the religious community to go to Corinaldo to look after her sister Francesca who was in need of assistance. She returned to Albano in 1992, and starting from 1994, she lived in Corinaldo caring for her sister. She remained there until September 2021.

Sr Loredana was a reserved person, but she did communicate her experience of taking care of her sick sister. She always asked how the sisters in the Congregation were going and

assured her prayer and her offering. She spared no efforts in looking after Francesca, trying to provide everything she needed so that she could get better.

In these recent months, Sr Loredana's health had severely debilitated, which is why in September she was welcomed and treated in the community of Albano-Mother House. In November, she had to be admitted to Regina Apostolorum hospital, where she died due to the seriousness of the metastasis. Last Sunday I visited Sr Loredana in hospital. With a serene look and voice, she said to me: *It seems like I have something in my body, but we trust in God.*

We thank the sisters of the Mother House who have looked after Sr Loredana with patience and love in these months of particular trial for our sister. We also thank the Daughters of Saint Paul who, during the days of hospitalization in Regina Apostolorum hospital, supported Sr Loredana with their closeness and affection.

We entrust Sr Loredana to the Father's mercy and we ask her to intercede abundant graces for the Hispanic America Province that began on 1st December, and for the XI General Chapter of our Pauline Brothers.

Sr Aminta Sarmiento Puentes
Superior General

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Second Sunday of Advent