

Sister Mary Michele Croghan

Entered eternal life on May 13, 2017

As we reflect on the life of our Sister Mary Michele, we remember, we celebrate, we believe.

We remember:

We remember then Mary Croghan as a teenager coming from a loving Jersey City home to Nazareth Novitiate on October 2, 1949. After vows she spent many years in education (most of them in Saddle Brook) as teacher and principal – always hard-working and conscientious. When St. Philip's School closed, Michele turned to work as a patient representative at St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson, where she made an impact on both patients and staff. What a wonderful life of ministry!



We celebrate:

We celebrate Sister Michele's beautiful spirit. Her strong love of family was always evident in the stories she shared of her brothers and sisters, nephews and nieces of several generations. Her kind and gentle manner never wavered; her love and concern extended to many, many friends to whom she unfailingly sent greetings on their birthdays and other special occasions. Sister Michele kept Hallmark and the Post Office in business!

Here at the Villa she was inspirational in her devotion to prayer – especially the rosary which she so often led in chapel. Isn't it special that she was called to God on the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima?

We believe:

We believe that now our dear Sister Michele will receive the reward promised to the good and faithful – eternal joy with the God she served so well. We will miss you, Michele. Pray for us who are still on the journey.

Sister Clare Mary Roden