

Sister Mary Eusebia Puddister

Died 21 February 1925

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Death Brings Release From Long Illness

Sister Mary Eusebia Puddister passed away at St. Francis Hospital Saturday morning at 3 o'clock after a lingering illness of more than a year.

Sister Mary Eusebia was born at Bay Butts, Newfoundland, March 27, 1906. She entered the Community of the Sisters of St. Francis at Clinton, Aug. 5, 1922, receiving the habit of the order March 6, 1923.

At the time of her entrance into the Community she appeared to be in perfect health but after a few months the seeds of tuberculosis sown in early years developed and she began to show signs of decline. She was brought to St. Francis Hospital in this city for treatment in August 1923. Every effort was made to save her but to no avail. Always hopeful yet always resigned, she bore her sufferings with model patience, edifying all who attended her in her long illness. She died fortified by the rites of the Church and surrounded by her Sisters in religion.

She leaves to mourn her loss her mother, Mrs. Margaret Puddister, one sister and two brothers all of Bay Butts, Newfoundland. The funeral was held Monday morning from St. Columbanus Church with solemn Requiem Mass at 9:30 A. M. Rev. M. J. Hannon sang the mass assisted by Rev. H. Frencken of Victor as Deacon and Rev. E. Barron of Brooklyn as sub-deacon and Rev. T. McCann of Newton acted as Master of Ceremonies. A beautiful and appropriate sermon was delivered by Rev. H. Frencken of Victor, Iowa.

Sisters from Clinton, Tama, Victor and Marshalltown were present. The pall bearers were Leo Devereux, John McLaughlin, Joe Hotchkin, William Flanagan, Francis Comerford and Leo Donahue.