

### **Sister Mary Dominica Buttner - 80 years**

A native of Bronx, N.Y., Sister Mary Dominica, is a native of Bronx, N.Y. where she attended Holy Family School and then East Side High School in Paterson, N.J. She entered the Sisters of St. Francis in 1930 at Mt. St. Clare Motherhouse in New Hamburg, N.Y. (now known as Wappingers Falls) and professed her perpetual vows July 14, 1936. For 37 years, she ministered as a teacher at various Catholic elementary schools in the New York City area. These included: Immaculate Conception School in Astoria, St. Rosalie's in Brooklyn, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Poughkeepsie, at Mt. Loretto, Staten Island, and Holy Name School in New Rochelle. She was also the convent superior in the boy's department at Mt. Loretto and tutored at Mt. St. Clare.

From 1979 until 2001 she has served the community in various ways as our general bursar, general treasurer, and administrative assistant and motherhouse treasurer. Sister Dominica fully retired from community service in 2004. We congratulate sister for her striking qualities of integrity, steadfast devotion to God and loyalty to the community. Her example of fidelity to mission has made her an enduring cornerstone of our Franciscan way of life. It is with gratitude that we can celebrate with her and her total "yes" to the Lord!