



*Dearest Sisters,*

Today, 27 February 2021, in the heart of the night, the Lord knocked at the door of life, calling to himself in a definitive way our sister

**SR. M. AUXILIA – M. ROSA BELTRÁN URREA**  
**born 11 June 1936 at Gama, Cundinamarca (Colombia).**

M. Rosa comes to light on the day when the Christian community celebrates the feast of *Corpus Domini*: she is the fourth of five children. She is taken to the baptismal font, two weeks after her birth, on 25 June and from that source, thanks also to the religious education of her parents, her Christian life matures, growing day by day, until her religious consecration as a Pious Disciple of the Divine Master.

On May 27, 1961, she enters the Congregation, in the Divine Master community in Bogotá, starting the regular path of formation in religious life. At the end of the novitiate, on March 23, 1965, she makes her first profession in Bogotá and, again in Bogotá, on September 8, 1971, her perpetual profession. She loves her vocation, especially the mission at the service of priests. In fact, she spends most of her life in priestly service, both in the communities of the Society of Saint Paul and in the Episcopal Conference in Quito (Ecuador). In recent years, she worked hard to learn how to make altar linens, showing herself open to change and to learn new things.

She lived in all the communities of the Colombia / Ecuador Province - Bogotá, Medellín, Cúcuta, Cali - with a short stay in Venezuela in Caracas. For four years, from 1998 to 2002, she devotedly offered her service to the Ecuadorian Episcopal Conference, favouring for bishops and guests who passed through for pastoral commitments a welcoming family environment animated by Eucharistic prayer, by celebration and daily adoration.

We give thanks to the Divine Master for the generous and silent commitment of Sr. M. Auxilia throughout these years. She gave witness, with her deeds and discreet words, to what it means to be a disciple of Jesus: a woman of the Gospel and of the Eucharist, sources of ecclesial service.

She was characterized by a peaceful and sociable lifestyle, a peacemaker. She was always conciliatory and she favoured fraternal life and the development of the apostolate. The words of Psalm 133 are well suited to her: *“How beautiful and how it gives joy that brothers and sisters live together!”*. It is a grace to meet sisters with personal traits like this: marked by silence and willingness to collaborate in the various ministries entrusted to her.

With introverted character traits, she developed her life at a rather slow pace: she was a sister who gave a lot of space to silence and consequently knew how to listen and pray for the numerous inten-

tions that were entrusted to her. She lived the ministry of intercession intensely, without making any noise, but favouring the spread of the Lord's blessing.

This is the legacy that she leaves us: a serene and calm presence despite the inevitable setbacks in the path of her life. "*Spreading tranquillity in the environment*": it is the result of her peaceful existence, an effect produced not by effort, but with joy. This made fraternal life with Sister Auxilia pleasant and serene. "Blessed are those who work for peace, for they will be called sons of God" (Mt 5: 9): a beatitude that well describes the style of Sr. Auxilia. She has learned to choose to be "peaceful" to bring harmony to the communities where she has passed. The sisters say of her: "*She passed among us doing good*" as an authentic disciple of Jesus. On Sunday, February 14, she was struck by a cerebral-vascular stroke that caused her paralysis on the left side: she was admitted to Hospital of St. Ignatius in Bogotá, last Thursday she was discharged and returned to the community. The sisters took care of her, accompanying her with prayer and the sacraments, meeting the heavenly Spouse.

We ask for her the grace to enjoy the presence of the Divine Master, as a reward for a generously dedicated life. Let us pray for her family, especially for her brother Efraín, also entrusting the Colombia / Ecuador Province on the journey of apostolic redesign.

Sr. M. Micaela Roneth'