

**OBITUARY**  
**of our Sr. Bonaventura Öller**

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Sr. Bonaventura was born on 12 November 1929 in Peilstein, in the village of Stierberg, and died during the night of 27 January 2020 in Wernberg.

Sr. Bonaventure did not want an obituary; this is how she writes: "Here I stand in the face of my God". I would like to quote a few thoughts from her "Spiritual Testament". In 2011 Sr. Bonaventura writes: "I do not want to die in deep sleep, but consciously. I surrender myself to the good providence of God who also is the origin of all goodness of people. I also thank for the efforts of my doctors and nurses and every one. I thank for all good things and ask for forgiveness for all my faults. I will pray for you all. Greetings to my brothers and sisters, relatives, friends and benefactors and many thanks for their being and for all the good they did for me. "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit. Thanks for everything."

For many years, Sr. Bonaventura had a longing to die. Repeatedly she said it is time. But for God her longing was obviously not yet deep enough. A few hours after her death, which surprised her in her sleep, we prayed in the Lauds from Psalm 84 "My soul is longing for the courts of the Lord".

The longing of Sr. Bonaventura has reached its goal. Moreover, I would like to add: "God does not fulfill all our desires, but all His promises," as Dietrich Bonhoeffer writes very correctly.

The Jewish poet Nelly Sachs writes: "Everything begins with longing, there is always room in the heart for more, for more beauty, for greater things ... and where the longing is fulfilled, there it breaks open even more strongly. Did not your incarnation, God, also begin with this longing for humankind? So, let our longing now begin with the search for you, and let it end with having found you.

We thank you for your life in our community; we thank you for your patience and for your prayer.

Sr. Pallotti Findenig