

YOU ARE PRECIOUS
IN MY SIGHT

IN MEMORY OF

SR. M. EILEEN MURRELLS, CPS

who went home to God on 24 February 2020

at Precious Blood Convent, Riruta



AND I LOVE YOU.

The Our Lord called Sr. M. Eileen (Elizabeth) Murrells home on February 24th, 2020. In the early hours of the morning, Sister Eileen quietly and peacefully left us.

Sr. Eileen Murrells was born on May 27th, 1931 in Arusha, Tanzania to Henry Charles Murrells (deceased) and Mariam Joseph (deceased). She is predeceased by her beloved stepmother Alice (Spencer) Murrells. She is the eldest of four brothers and three sisters – Philip (predeceased), Caroline, Bill, John, Kathleen, Margaret and Benjamin all of England. She is the loving aunt of niece Rosemary (USA) and nephew Clifford (wife Liz).

Answering the call to follow the Lord, Sister Eileen entered the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood on 25. 03.1955 at Heilig Bloed, The Netherlands. She was received into the novitiate on 13th of August 1956 and made her First Profession on the 2nd of February 1958. Sr. Eileen pronounced her Final Vows on the 2nd of February 1961. After pronouncing her Final Vows, she was missioned to Lushoto, Tanzania and was trained by the late Sr. Nerea Bichele, cps as a dental surgeon. She learned both the practical and technical aspects of Dentistry from Sister Nerea of whom she always spoke highly. She went regularly to Dar es Salaam for examinations in Dentistry and received her registration as a dentist in 1965.

Sister Eileen practiced Dentistry in Lushoto from 1966 until 2017 when she had a bad fall. She broke her shoulder bone and developed a blood clot which resulted in her coming to Riruta for treatment and a much-deserved retirement.

Until her accident, Sr. Eileen carried out faithfully, joyfully and with total dedication her ministry in Lushoto receiving pleasure in being able to relieve the pain of others and in crafting dentures for those who were in need of them.

Sister was a gifted musician and composer and for many years was the organist and choir director of Lushoto Parish. She composed hymns and masses which she taught to various choirs in Tanga Region with great joy.

From 2017 until her death, Sister's ministry was one of prayer while keeping herself busy with knitting for the Street Children of Amani Primary School and correspondence with family and friends.

On the evening of Sunday 23rd of February, Sister Eileen mentioned that she had been feeling very tired since beginning her new medication. She was to go the next day to see the doctor about this but God decided to call her home instead.

Sr. Eileen was a valiant woman, who surrendered all joyfully to God's guidance, relying solely on Him throughout her life. She was a woman of deep faith and wisdom.

She will be greatly missed by all who were touched by her presence in their lives.

Sister Eileen, may you now find joy, comfort and peace in the arms of our Lord.

**'WHATSOEVER YOU DO TO THE LEAST OF MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS YOU DO
UNTO ME.'** (Matt. 25:40)