

OBITUARY

SR. M CELINE NXOPO CPS

+ 8th June 2020, at St Mary's Hospital, Mthatha

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and
God of all comfort, who comforts us in all
our tribulations, (2Cor. 1:3,4).**



Sr. Celine Nxopo daughter of Mr. Jeremiah and Mrs Monica Nxopo was born on 24th of December 1953 in Mount Frere, Eastern Cape, South Africa. She entered our Congregation on 16 June 1978 in Glen Avent Convent, Mthatha. On 6 January 1982 she made her 1st Profession of Religious Vows and her final commitment was on 6 January 1987 in Glen Avent Convent.

Sr. Celine worked in various Mission stations within and outside the diocese of Mthatha. She did her Sewing Apostolate in Glen Avent Convent, Cwele, Shepherds Hope, Mariazell, St. Patrick's and Marianhill in KwaZulu Natal. In 2005 she trained for the Secretarial Course whilst she was a Temporal Professed Directress. In 2007 she was transferred to St. James Senior Secondary School to work in the office and at same time a Vocation Promoter. Sr. was very much involved and passionate with the youth wherever she was missioned training the Children of Mary as she was also a trained Catechist.

In 2019 she retired from the office work and was transferred back to Glen Avent Convent where she worked as an Assistant House Bursar. In the early hours of Saturday, the 6th of June 2020, she felt unwell presenting with flue-like symptoms, such as tiredness, muscle pains and difficulty in breathing. She went to see a doctor who admitted her at St. Mary's Private Hospital in Mthatha on that very Saturday. She was admitted in the Medical Ward and on the next day, that is, Sunday, the 7th of June 2020 was transferred to the ICU. Covid-19 Naso/Oro-pharyngeal Swab was one of the investigations that were done for Sr. Celine which turned out positive a few days after her death on the 8th of June 2020. Needless to say, that the sisters were very shocked with Sr. Celine's short-illness and untimely death. Sister was a known diabetic and asthmatic patient on treatment.

May her Soul Rest in Peace!