



**In loving Memory of Sr. Irene Kubone CPS
who departed this life on the 05 April 2024.**

“Rest in God alone, my soul! He is the source of
my hope.”

Psalm 62: 5

Sister Irene Francisca Zicazile Kubone, is the daughter of the late Mr. Casban and Mrs Irene Kubone. She was born on the 11 May 1935 at Creighton KwaZulu Natal in the Diocese of Mzimkhulu.

She entered the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood on the 06th of January 1955. She was received into the Novitiate on the 06 of January 1958, and made her First Profession, on the 06 of January 1960 and her Final Profession on the 06 of January 1965, in Glen Avent Convent.

Sr. Irene was a well experienced farmer and gardener, very diligent person, dedicated and dependable. Sister spent her Convent life doing gardening and farming.

After her Final Profession in 1960 -1985, she was assigned to the garden in various communities and in some even farming e.g. Qumbu, she worked in the following missions' stations within and outside the Diocese of Mthatha: Farview, Mount Frere, Glen Avent, Tsomo, in Queenstown Diocese, Qumbu, Marialinden, and Mariazell.

In 1992 Sister was in charge of the hostel in Farview and in 2012 Sister Irene was brought to Glen Avent due to declining health and was assigned to prepare the vegetable and prayer ministry with others.

Sister Irene has been suffering for many years and bedridden but bore her illness quietly with a smile, she never complained. Sister did not sit down and said now I am sick I do nothing; she engaged her hands to make beautiful jug covers for the house and shared this talent with Postulants.

Sister was loved by her family and friends who often visited her bringing some gifts and was always a joy for her. Mr Gester Sharpley and family former students from Little Flower in Qumbu, they never missed Sister Irene's birthday.

On her last days Father Stephan Mandl CMM, who is our chaplain visited Sister Irene and gave her the Anointing of the sick, and on the 5th of April 2024 in the morning the Lord called Sister Irene home.

We thank you Sister Irene for your hard work wherever you were sent, may you intercede for us, and find comfort and peace in the arms of your Saviour. May the good Lord reward you.

Your departure is a loss to our province.

Rest in peace! Mambhele