

Sister Emily Marie Walsh, SC

Sister Emily Marie Walsh, (104), a Sister of Charity of Saint Elizabeth, died on Saturday, January 17, 2026, at Complete Care at Saint Vincent's, Cedar Grove, NJ.

Sister Emily was born in Orange, NJ, the daughter of Margaret Mary (Treacy) and John Walsh. At the time of her death, Sister Emily was the oldest living Sister of Charity of Saint Elizabeth. She entered the Sisters of Charity on September 8, 1938, and was a member for 87 years.

Sister Emily graduated from the College (University), of Saint Elizabeth, Convent Station, NJ, with a BS degree in Education and from Seton Hall University, South Orange, NJ with a MA degree in Administration and Supervision. Sister Emily also completed continuing education courses focused on gerontology, pastoral counseling, and ministry to the sick.

Sister Emily served as an educator and Pastoral Minister in New Jersey. She served as teacher in St. Paul of the Cross School, Jersey City, Our Lady of Sorrows School, South Orange, and St. Andrew School, Westwood. Sister Emily also served as the Principal at Saint Andrew School.

In 1964, Sister Emily began her 51 years of ministry at Holy Trinity School and Parish, Hackensack, NJ. After two years as teacher and Assistant Principal, Sister Emily assumed the role of Principal. In 1979 Sister Emily began her pastoral ministry at Holy Trinity. Some of her responsibilities were visiting the sick in their homes and nursing homes, coordinating the parish communion ministers, Bereavement Ministry, and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Sister Emily retired from her ministry at Holy Trinity Parish in 2015 at the age of ninety-four; she moved to the Sisters of Charity Motherhouse at Convent Station at that time and volunteered as receptionist at the Motherhouse and at Saint Anne Villa, Convent Station. She also served as lector at mass in the Motherhouse chapel. Sister Emily was always ready to assist in any way.

In 2018 Sister Emily visited Holy Trinity Parish and was surprised to find many parishioners, family members and friends gathered to honor her. On that day, Maple Avenue, the street in front of the parish church, was dedicated as *Sister Emily's Way*. The parish history states that this was a "fitting tribute to a woman of faith who was Christ to generations of Hackensackers."

Sister Emily was known for her kindness, warm smile, spirit of hospitality and care of the poor. She was a positive person who affirmed others; she was firm but gentle. Sister Emily fully lived the charism of the Sisters of Charity – to make God's love known in the world.

Sister Emily was predeceased by her parents, her sisters Margaret Bradley and Patricia Marinaro, her brothers James, John, Robert, Luke, and Charles, her nieces Kathryn Walsh Inge, Treacy



Mallon Krisztinicz, Susan Walsh Moynihan and Nancy Walsh Krawczyk and her nephew James J. Walsh. She is survived by the Sisters of Charity, her sister Catherine Mallon, many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, great grandnieces and great grandnephews.

The wake for Sister Emily Walsh will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM at Holy Family Chapel, Convent Station, NJ. The Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 11:00 AM and will be livestreamed. Burial in Holy Family Cemetery, Convent Station will follow the Mass. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of SJ Priola Parsippany Funeral Services, Lake Hiawatha, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the Sisters of Charity Legacy and Mission Advancement Office, P O Box 476, Convent Station, NJ 07961-0476 would be appreciated.