

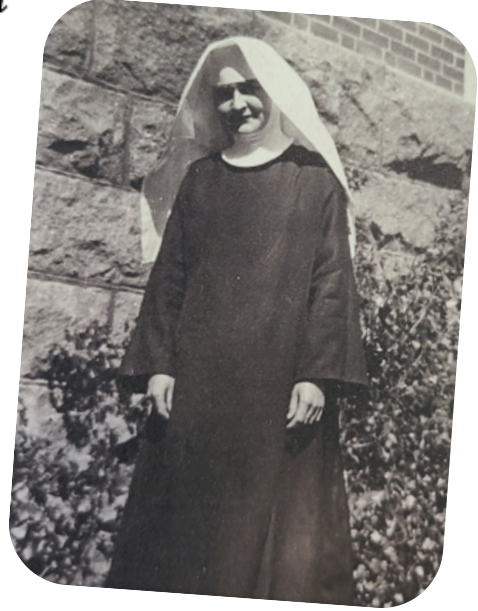


## SISTER ANNELLA *Guild*

November 13, 2024

**Dear Friends of Sister Annella,**

Sister Annella Zervas' life and witness have inspired countless souls, drawing hearts closer to Christ through her humility, devotion, and deep trust in God. Thanks to the perseverance of Patrick Norton and the support of people like you, we've made remarkable progress this year.



A Sister Annella Guild has been established to further her cause. In addition, a Diocesan Postulator has been appointed, and a libellus has been prepared for Bishop Cozzens of the Diocese of Crookston, formally requesting the opening of her cause. To guide our efforts with integrity and purpose, a Board of Directors has been appointed, and our online presence has expanded, making Sister Annella's story accessible to even more people. Visit <https://sisterannella.org> to learn more and stay connected to the cause. We've also introduced online giving, enabling you and others to support the Guild with ease, and we are pleased to share that donations are now tax-deductible.

One of the most exciting recent developments is that Bishop Andrew Cozzens presented Sister Annella's life to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at their November Plenary Meeting. This momentous step brings her story to the universal Church, extending her impact to the faithful. You can watch the recording of this historic presentation here: <https://bit.ly/3Coc0Yb> (timestamp: 4:40:10).

Each day, we are inspired anew by Sister Annella's example, and we know her story has the power to touch even more hearts. Here are reflections from just a few people of the countless people who have been moved by Sister Annella's story:

- "I have heard her story of suffering and believe in my heart that she is truly one of God's saints. I will be praying for her sainthood." (Virginia)
- "I would love to see Sister canonized someday. I would like a blessed miraculous medal that has been touched to her grave. I have [a suffering friend] in mind to give it to..." (California)
- "I am asking Sr. Annella's intercession for: stroke victim, her husband, and for a special prayer warrior." (Minnesota)

There are still many more who need to hear Sister Annella's story, and we need your help. Will you join us by making a tax-deductible gift today? Your support enables the Guild to continue sharing her legacy, advance the stages of her canonical investigation, and bring her closer to official recognition by the Church. Every gift brings us closer to sharing Sister Annella's inspiring life of total surrender to God with others.

We invite you to submit your prayer intentions to the Sister Annella Guild. Every intention will be offered to God through the intercession of Sister Annella by our Board of Directors and dedicated volunteers. You can submit your prayer intentions online or by mail using the enclosed prayer intention slip. To submit by mail, simply cut out the slip and send it to Sister Annella Guild, 702 Summit Avenue North, Crookston, MN 56716.

Thank you for your generosity and dedication to Sister Annella's cause. Together, we can make her story known and uplift even more souls through her witness.

Sincerely in Christ,



Monsignor David J. Baumgartner, JCL  
President of the Guild



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## Prayer Intentions

*Through the intercession of Sister Annella Zervas, OSB, I ask the Sister Annella Guild Board of Directors and volunteers to remember my intentions below.*

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*"I offer my sufferings as a prayer."*  
—Sister Annella Zervas, OSB (1900-1926)

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