



THE SPEECH AND DRAMA DEPARTMENT

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Way of Heaven

by SISTER MARY ROGER

*to honor the centenary of the death of
Mother Theodore Guérin
May 14, 1856*

SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS COLLEGE

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana

Friday, May 11, 3:30 p.m. — Friday, May 11, 8:00 p.m.

Saturday, May 12, 8:00 p.m.

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PROLOGUE

Today	-	-	-	-	-	Myrna Pagan
The Voice of the Sea	-	-	-	-	-	Del Rapier
Anne Thérèse Guérin	-	-	-	-	-	Carolyn Miller

ACT ONE

Brittany, France

Scene one is laid in the garden of the Guérin home in Etables, a little Breton village, in the summer of 1812.

Scene two is laid in the same garden, ten years later.

The Curé of Etables	-	-	-	-	William Balduzzi
Madame Guérin	-	-	-	-	Arlene Tufano
Anne Thérèse Guérin	-	-	-	-	Carolyn Miller
Marie Jeanne Guérin, Anne Thérèse's little sister	-	-	-	-	Patricia Howard
A Messenger	-	-	-	-	Charles Banning
Isabelle Martin, a friend of Anne Thérèse	-	-	-	-	Dorothy Harkins
Madame Martin, Isabelle's mother	-	-	-	-	Judith Unruh

*"If you love him so much that mother and I seem less dear,
 . . . enough to suffer through
 A lifetime's sorrows and trials and still be glad
 Because he chose you out of all the world to share them—
 Then I think you might say that you love him well enough."*

ACT TWO

Providence Convent, Ruillé-sur-Loir, France

Scene one is laid in the garden in front of the conventual church during the summer of 1839.

Scene two is also laid in the same garden but it is a year later.

Anne Thérèse Guérin, now Sister	
Theodore - - - -	Carolyn Miller
Sister St. Vincent Ferrer - -	Mary Carroll
Sister St. Dominique - - -	Carol Beha
Sister Basilide - - - -	Mary Estelle DeWitt
Sister Olympiade - - - -	Laura Trauscht
Mother Mary, Superior General of the Sisters of Providence - -	Jean Smith

*"America, America, America. I am growing to fear
The sound of that familiar word. How can I go?
I did not come to Ruillé to learn to love it
And then leave it. It is my home—more to me
Than any spot save dear Etables. This is my life.
Everyone cannot go to America. Some must stay
To spread the word of God in France—and yet—
Why is it I cannot sleep at night for the sound
Of the American Bishop's burning words of
supplication?"*

ACT THREE

Providence Convent, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana

Scene one is laid in the room that served as dining-room and Mother Theodore's office in the former Thralls' farmhouse in the fall of 1842.

Scene two is laid in Mother Theodore's bedroom and adjoining office in the new convent on the night of her death, May 14, 1856.

Mother Theodore	-	-	-	Carolyn Miller
Sister St. Francis Xavier	-	-	-	Mary Agnes Burns
A Postulant	-	-	-	Eileen Fleming
Sister Olympiade	-	-	-	Laura Trauscht
Sister Mary Joseph, formerly Elvire le Fer de la Motte	-	-	-	Camille Rezutko
Doctor Reed	-	-	-	Maurice Moore
Sister Mary Cecilia	-	-	-	Jacqueline Chott
Sister Mary Ambrose	-	-	-	Arlene Suchy
Sister Mary Theodore, Mother Theodore's niece	-	-	-	Patricia Slattery
Sister Gonzague, novice	-	-	-	Mary Jean Dvorak
Father Corbe	-	-	-	James Lynch

EPILOGUE

The Voice of the Trees	-	-	-	Del Rapiet
Today	-	-	-	Myrna Pagan
Mother Theodore	-	-	-	Carolyn Miller

In Paradisum - - - Gregorian Chant

THE NOVITIATE CHOIR

*"I leave here these symbols of stone and brick
Of God's love and all-providing Providence."*

TECHNICAL STAFF

Director	-	-	-	-	-	Sister Mary Olive
Assistant Director	-	-	-	-	-	Sister Theresa Eleanor
Director of Novice Choir	-	-	-	-	-	Sister Francis Angela
Stage Manager	-	-	-	-	-	Katherine Miller
Head of Stage Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Catherine Graney
Members of Stage Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Joanne Akaliatis Katherine Desmond, Joan McDonogh, Rosemary Penn, Camille Rezutko, Patricia Slattery, Laura Trauscht
Head of Light Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Mary Angela Rashid
Members of Light Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Sheila Cary Nancy Mertz, Virginia Reed, Rosemary Ward
Head of Properties Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Kathleen Petrunick
Member of Properties Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Carole Schueler
Head of Costume Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Lenore O'Connor
Members of Costume Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Kathleen Farrell Mary Helen Kelly, Elizabeth Monkas
Head of Make-up Crew	-	-	-	-	-	Arlene Tufano
Members of Make-up Crew	-	-	-	-	-	The Stagecraft Class

GUESTS OF HONOR

- Reverend Mother Gertrude Clare, Honorary President of
Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College
- Sister Francis Joseph, President of the College
- Sister Eugenia, Vice-President of the College
- Sister Marie Perpetua, Dean of the College
- Miss Lucile Murphy, President of the Alumnae Association
- Miss Stella Bialecki, President of the Student Government
- The May Queen and her Court