

# *Celebrating.*

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the life of



*Sr. Lucia Martorano*

23<sup>rd</sup> September, 1964 - 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

**PROGRAMME**  
**OF THE LATE Sr. LUCIA MARTORANO 9<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2021**

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**Master of Ceremony**

**Time**

- 6:00am**            1. Departure from the Corradine convent
- 8:00am**            2. Arrival at the Mater Hospital mortuary
- 9:00am**            3. Departure from the Mortuary
- 10.00am.**        4. Arrival at the church, St John the Baptist , Katua,
5. Prayer
6. Welcome message by the church moderator
7. Speeches.
8. Mass service.
9. Eulogy
10. Prayers
11. Vote of thanks
12. Proceed to the grave side, at the convent, to be attended only by the clergy,  
                              sisters and choir.
13. Burial rites
14. Prayers

# *Eulogy for Sr. Lucy Martorano*

Sr. Lucia Martorano was born in Sortino (SR) on 23rd September 1964. During her schooling, she graduated as an Agronomist.

She later began her religious formation with the Congregation of the Collegine Sisters of the Holy Family in 1986. She made her first religious profession in 1989 and obtained a Masters in Religious Sciences at the Pontifical Theological Faculty of Sicily, in Palermo (Italy).

In 1994 she was transferred to Tanzania where she was in charge of the Migoli community, which runs an orphanage of more than 80 children and infants.

In 1995, she was appointed by the Superior General as the Vocations Director, a ministry that allowed her to accompany young women in the very first steps of religious life.

In 2001 she moved to Kenya where she carried out significant work in the education and teaching spheres, with particular attention to school going children, young people and women.

## *Achievements of Sr. Lucy*

We are honouring, celebrating and remembering the life and achievements of Sr. Lucia together with the Holy Family Collegene sisters who arrived in Njiru Parish in December 2001, just after the St. Monica Catholic Parish had started on 18th November, 2001. They rented a premise in Saika estate and then moved to Njiru near the parish headquarters and started carrying out significant work both in church and the entire community during this time. Together with other sisters, they assisted with the Parish work, mostly in the Sacristy, and initiated the kindergarten, which later grew to become the Blessed Pavel School as we know it today. Due to the love that Sr. Lucy had for the Njiru Parish Catholic Church, she helped to introduce St. Monica Njiru parish to her home Parish in Augusta, Southern Italy. Out of collaboration between these two parishes, a school named Blessed Karmen Primary School and an St. Stephen, Maili Saba, outstation Catholic church were built.

Sr. Lucia together with her fellow sisters later relocated to Katua next to St. John The Baptist Church, an out station of St. Monica Parish where they started another school namely Corradini Primary School. Through her leadership, the school has grown in high moral values and academically achieving good results where most of the students have qualified to join several national schools for secondary education. Sr. Lucia also put up great physical infrastructures like classrooms, dining hall and boarding facilities for girls to create a good learning environment in compliance with the standards established by the Ministry of Education.

## *Sickness*

Sr. Lucia Martorano had been in good health until 17th July 2021 when she fell ill. She was taken to taken to Saika Nursing home for medical attention and was later referred to Mater Hospital. Upon checks, it was noted that her blood sugar had risen to high level of 31 which needed to be controlled while admitted in hospital. As the doctors did their best to bring down the sugar levels and blood pressure, unfortunately her condition deteriorated the oxygen level dropped to dangerous levels and the kidneys started failing. She later on succumbed to cardiac arrest on 29th July 2021.

As a parish we owe Sr. Lucia a lot and pray that God rest her soul in eternal peace. May her good work live on. For Sr. Lucy, Kenya became part of her family that she wished to die in and God has granted her wishes and prayer. We loved you and you will remain forever in our hearts.

Rest in Peace Sr. Lucia Martorano.

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# Pictorial



# Tributes

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# Hymns

## NIMEVIPIGA VITA

*{ Nimevipiga vita, nimevipiga vita vilivyo vizuri } \*2*

*{ Mwendo - mwendo nimeumaliza*

*Mwendo - imani nimeilinda*

*Mwendo nimeumaliza, imani nimeilinda } \*2*

Baada ya hayo nimewekewa taji,  
Nimewekewa taji, taji ya ahadi

Sasa namiminwa, nao wakati wangu  
Wa kufariki kwangu, nao umefika

Ataniokoa na kila neno baya  
Hadi niufikie ufalme wa mbingu

Nami nitaishi kwake Baba milele  
Tena nikiimbibia Mungu aleluya

## NAKAZA MWENDO

*Siyo kwamba nimekwishafika*

*Au nimekwisha kamilika la! la!*

*{ Bali ninakaza mwendo ili nipate kulishika*

*Lile ambalo limeshikwa naye Kristu } \*2*

Ninaendelea mbele mimi, katika utumishi wangu  
Nijalie nguvu Bwana wangu, niyashinde haya ya dunia

Nishike mkono Bwana wangu, shetani asinisumbue  
Niongoze vyema Bwana wangu, niyashike majukumu yangu

Nitashinda mimi nitashinda, nitashinda kwa nguvu zako  
Ninatarajia ushujaa, endapo wewe utaamua

Nitavikwa mimi nitavikwa, nitavikwa taji ya hadhi  
Sio kwa nguvu zangu mwenyewe bali kwa nguvu za Mungu Baba

Aleluya nitaimba mimi, nitakapomaliza safari  
Hayo ni matarajio yangu, mwisho wa hii safari yangu

## NIRUDIENI MIMI

*{Lakini bata sasa, asema Bwana*

*Nirudieni mimi, kwa mioyo yenu yote } \*2*

Fanyeni mabadiliko mioyoni mwenu  
Kwa kufunga na kwa kulia na kwa kuomboleza  
Nirudieni mimi kwa mioyo yenu yote

Pigeni tarumbeta huko Sayuni  
Wambieni watu wote ili wafunge  
Nirudieni mimi kwa mioyo yenu yote

Kusanyeni watu wote waleteni kwangu  
Waleteni na watoto hata na wazee  
Nirudieni Mimi kwa mioyo yenu yote

Mpingeni yule mwovu atawakaribia  
Nikaribieni nami nitawakaribia  
Nirudieni mimi kwa mioyo yenu yote

Takaseni mikono yenu iliyojaa dhambi  
Safisheni mioyo yenu yenye nia mbili  
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