

FACT SHEET Mother Margaret George 1787-1868

1787 – Born in Sligo, Ireland, to John and Bridget Farrell and immigrated with her family to the United States in 1793, initially settling in Norfolk, Virginia.

1795 – Moved with her mother to Baltimore, Maryland, after a yellow fever epidemic claimed the lives of her father and siblings. Lived in the Fell's Point area and later near the Basilica of the Assumption in Baltimore City.

1807 – Married Lucas George, a professor of the classics at St. Mary's College.

1808-1809 – Widowed in late 1808 and buried a newborn daughter in early 1809.



1809-1812 – Continued building the friendship she had established with Elizabeth Seton while in Baltimore by corresponding with her and visiting her in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Taught in an academy and volunteered at the Baltimore Alms House.

1812 – Joined the Sisters of Charity in Emmitsburg and became part of the first Novitiate; made vows July 19, 1813.

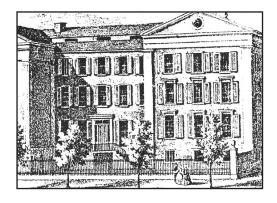
1812-1819 – Served as treasurer of the Sisters of Charity and as a teacher at St. Joseph's Academy in Emmitsburg.



1819-1821 – Missioned as Sister Servant and Director of the New York Orphan Asylum.

1821-1824 – Returned to Emmitsburg as Director of St. Joseph's Academy.

1824-1834 – Assigned as Sister Servant and Director of St. John's Female Academy in Frederick, Maryland; also conducted a girls' orphan asylum there.



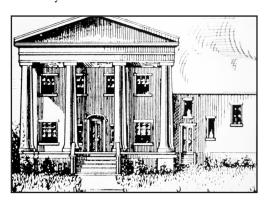
1834-1837 – Named as Sister Servant and Director of St. Joseph's School in Richmond, Virginia.



1837-1841 – Returned to Emmitsburg to again serve as treasurer of the Sisters of Charity and oversaw the construction of the community chapel.

1841-1845 – Headed St. Aloysius School and Asylum in Boston, Massachusetts.

1845 – Missioned to Cincinnati, Ohio, as Sister Servant and Director of St. Peter's School and Asylum.





1852 – Led a group of Sisters of Charity in forming the diocesan Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati; elected first Mother of the community in 1853.



1859 – Elected Assistant Mother of the community and became director of St. Joseph Orphan Asylum in Cincinnati.



1862 – Celebrated Golden Jubilee as a Sister of Charity; suffered a debilitating stroke.



1868 – Died at Mount St. Vincent, Cedar Grove, in Cincinnati at age 80.