Alumni and Friends of the College:

With deep sadness, I write to inform you that we have lost a loving friend and extraordinary colleague with the passing of Mary Edward Zipf ’62, S.C., Professor Emerita of Biology.

Sr. Mary Edward entered the Sisters of Charity in 1953. She graduated from the College in 1962 with a major in biology and a minor in chemistry. She went on to receive a master’s degree in biological sciences from Fordham University and the Ph.D. in microbiology from the University of Maryland.

This remarkable and saintly woman embodied the highest ideals of the College of Mount Saint Vincent and the Sisters of Charity of New York, including faith, service, integrity, and moral courage. A dedicated educator, she taught for more than 55 years—46 of which she spent enriching the lives of students at the College in ways at once tangible, practical, and spiritual.

A published scholar respected in her field, she was above all a dedicated and inspirational teacher. Her students are abidingly devoted to her. Graduates with prolific careers in science, research, medicine, and nursing have often returned to the College to visit the teacher who taught them so much, made them work so hard, and loved them smartly.

Sr. Mary Edward touched innumerable lives with her generous spirit and expansive love of life.

Charles L. Flynn, Jr.

The Sisters of Charity have announced the following arrangements:

Wake
Assembly Room, Mount Saint Vincent Convent
Friday, August 16, 2–6:30 p.m., Prayer Service 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, August 17, 8:30–9:15 a.m.

Funeral
Chapel of the Immaculate Conception, College of Mount Saint Vincent
Saturday, August 17, 10 a.m.