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Central Pacific Province

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**2017 Jubilee**

**Celebrating 50 years**  
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## **Sister Marcelle Stos, SSND**

*Sister Marcelle began her teaching ministry at elementary schools in Louisiana from 1969 through 1971. She moved to the Fort Worth area to serve at Saints Peter & Paul grade school for two years. From 1973 through 1977, she served at St. Mary's in Gainesville, Texas, as a teacher and, during her final year there, principal. She returned to the classroom full-time for the next four years, teaching at St. Gerard Majella in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She then accepted a role as supervisor and assistant superintendent of schools for the diocese of Baton Rouge, a role she held through 1992. During these years, she also worked as a reading consultant for the curriculum publisher Silver Burdett and Ginn. Sister Marcelle moved to San Antonio in 1992 to update herself in theology while also fulfilling several congregational roles in San Antonio and Dallas. In 1994, she spent two years in Jackson, Mississippi, in adult education and a Catholic parish's senior ministry. She returned to San Antonio in 1996 to serve as both a caregiver and adult educator. From 2000 through 2006, she ministered as an associate superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of San Antonio. She served in congregational roles in the former Dallas Province from 2006 through 2011. In 2012, she was asked to be the temporary professed director for the newly-formed Central Pacific Province while also ministering part-time as an administrative curriculum consultant at St. Gregory the Great School. She holds a bachelor's in elementary education with a minor in history from the University of Dallas, and earned a master's in education with reading and curriculum emphases from Texas Women's University.*



### ***Memories I have to share...***

Over these past 50 years, I have been blessed to have had many touching experiences and memories as an SSND. One that was, and continues to be significant was my participation in the two-week Millennial International Program held at Haus Werdenfels Retreat Center near Regensburg, Germany. About 65 SSNDs came together from 22 provinces and two regions to be fully engaged in this international experience. There were two opportunities that were especially important for me. My heart was deeply touched by the personal sharing of our sisters from six countries that had been under Communist rule. Their words forcefully challenged me as a member of our congregation, to recognize our obligation and opportunities to develop a world vision and a sense of global responsibility (YAS C26). The other indelible memory was the last evening of 1999, as our entire community gathered in the chapel for an hour of contemplative prayer listening to Kurt Van Sickle's "Make Me An Instrument," a song for all humanity longing for love and forgiveness. To this day, I can vividly recall our presence together in the chapel! As a Golden Jubilarian, I continue to say with gratitude, "For all that has been, THANKS; for all that will be, YES!"

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