

# 2025 Jubilee

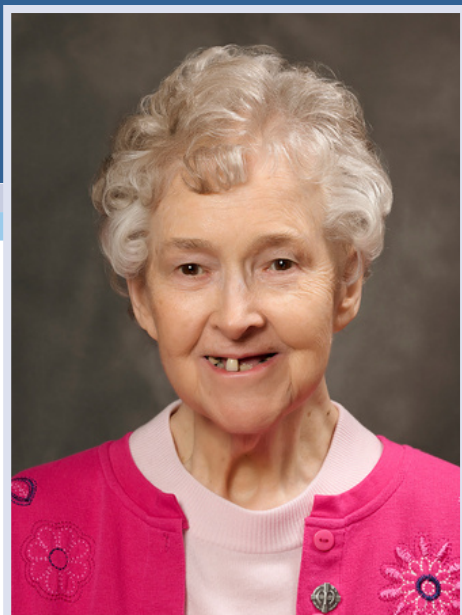
SISTER ANN GIESE

First Profession



July 29, 1950

*Celebrating 75 years*



For some 32 years, **Sister Ann Giese** fully embraced a ministry rooted in education. As a School Sister of Notre Dame (SSND), she taught students from the elementary up through the junior high level in classrooms in Missouri, Illinois, California and Nebraska. Along the way, she earned her bachelor's degree in English from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis and a master's degree in education from St. Louis University in St. Louis. In 1982, her ministry would grow and expand into a new focus in pastoral ministry, taking her to Keokuk, Iowa and three years at All Saints parish. With the conclusion

of that role, she spent a year of personal renewal out west in Spokane, Washington. The summer of 1986 brought her back to St. Louis - which would become her long-term ministry homebase. She briefly served at Our Lady of Sorrows parish in community service before beginning a series of ministries focused on caring for older and retired members of the local and religious community. She was activities director for Villa Gesu, a now-closed retirement community for SSND, followed by six months spent as a driver for sisters residing at Sancta Maria in Ripa in St. Louis. From 1991-1993, she was on staff at St. Casimir Group Home, ministering to their residents with special needs. This was followed by several other care-related ministries, including assignments at Rosary House, Cardinal Ritter Institute and Mother of Perpetual Help. In 1998, she briefly revisited teaching, helping as an aide at Notre Dame Preschool in St. Louis. From 1998-2011, she provided outreach and community service from Sancta Maria in Ripa. From there, she began a nine-year ministry of prayer and presence from Veronica House in nearby Bridgeton, Missouri, followed by two years spent at Mother of Perpetual Help in St. Louis. Today, Sister Ann resides at Anna House in Bridgeton, where she continues her work of prayer and presence.

## Is there a special memory you would like to share as you celebrate your Jubilee?

Of Sister Ann, those who know her say that she was a rebel for social justice. She rocked babies at Cardinal Glennon, spent endless hours devoted to Feed My People and educated people on the issue of human trafficking. In all things, Ann has a fierce love and sense of duty for the all God's people.

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