

# 2012 Jubilee



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## JUBILEE WISDOM

*Age is not something to be dreaded. With each year, God points out more clearly what really matters in life... a closer relationship with God and being able to make a difference in the lives of others.*

**-Mary Ann Wutkowski, SSND**

*-formerly S. Ann Michelle*

## Mary Ann Wutkowski, SSND

*50 Years*

**Sister Mary Ann** has served in Wisconsin schools for her entire ministry as a School Sister of Notre Dame. Her first teaching position was for one year with primary students in West Allis. She next taught intermediate students for 11 years in Appleton. Called to school administration, she has worked as a principal of schools in Marshfield for last 36 years. Sister Mary Ann will retire at the end of the school year but will continue to be active in education as a tutor.

### **I have been blessed with the experience of teaching**

primary, intermediate and junior high students. I have loved every minute of my teaching experiences. I can honestly say that I looked forward to each day in the classroom. In 1976, I was asked to take on a new challenge as principal of Our Lady of Peace School in Marshfield, Wisconsin. When the Catholic Schools in the city unified, I was asked to be principal of St. John the Baptist Primary School. It has been a joy working with children, ages 3 to 11 these past several years. Now, I am coming full circle as I retire from this position and go back to teaching. I will be doing private tutoring. I look forward to this new phase of my life.

### **Besides teaching, living in community has been**

an unexpected blessing. Community living was not foremost in my mind when I joined the School Sisters of Notre Dame. I was more focused on my mission work. Yet community life has proven to be the hundredfold blessing promised those who enter religious life.

### **As I look back on my 50 years**

as a School Sister of Notre Dame, I thank God for His many blessings.

### **Age is not something to be dreaded.**

With each year, God points out more clearly what really matters in life... a closer relationship with God and being able to make a difference in the lives of others. With each experience, happy or painful, God leads us where only we can make a difference.



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