# Jubilee



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## JUBILEE WISDOM

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ister Joyce was as a teacher for eight years in Illinois and Iowa. For 20 years, she served in parish pastoral ministries in Missouri, Illinois, Oklahoma and South Dakota. She also spent many years in ministry to children, elderly and the poor. From 2007-11 she was an instructor at the SSND sponsored ministry, Progressive Education Program, Inc., (PEPI) in New Iberia, La. She received a bachelor's in English and French from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis and a master's in ministry from Maryknoll School of Theology in New York.

#### A blessing of these years I want to share is...

The beauty of these years is not in their length (though that is awesome also) but in their depth. The work of our creating God in and around my life bubbles up all the time, every day. What a gift!

#### The wisdom I would like to share is...

Keep on keeping on. Life is at its longest quite short. The number of people we meet are few compared to all. The beauty of any moment is all we have.

#### I became an SSND because of the influence of my early teachers

in Highland, Ill., and at Notre Dame High School in St. Louis. One thing I treasure about my ministry is the diversity of places and peoples who have welcomed me. The beginning years at St. Christopher, Florissant, Mo., in the 70s are still precious, but the Cajun dance from 2011 still lingers as well.

### We are a unique group of committed women in our Church.

But our commitment and reality bless the whole of creation, just as creation and life blesses us.