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## JUBILEE WISDOM

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50 Years

ister Barbara ministered in education, music and liturgy while serving the following Wisconsin parishes and schools: St. Mary, Elm Grove; St. Peter, Beaver Dam; St. Aloysius, West Allis; and St. Frances Cabrini, West Bend. She worked in youth ministry for the SSND-sponsored TYME OUT Retreat Center. While with the Daystar organization in Milwaukee, Sister Barbara assisted homeless women. For 15 years, she served as a resource specialist with St. Mary's Hospital in Milwaukee. In addition she was called twice to serve the SSND community as director of vocations. Sister Barbara received a bachelor's degree in education and music from Mount Mary College, Milwaukee and a master's degree in religious studies from Mundelein College, Chicago. She recently took a sabbatical and is currently discerning her next ministry.

A blessing of these years I want to share is the growing ability to know God's movement within my heart and to respond in fidelity to that on-going call. I have been blessed to have some Sabbatical time during the past months – time to slow down and reflect on the way God has been leading me through the years. I trust that God will continue to be the guiding light for my journey into the future!

**The wisdom I would like to share is...** We are not called to be perfect, but we are called to love!

## What drew me to the School Sisters of Notre Dame?

When I was a child in elementary school, the sisters who taught in our school were vivacious, happy and outgoing. They were well-loved by their students as well as by parents. My parents always spoke with great love about the sisters and encouraged us to be like them. I guess it was a natural draw for me to want to be an SSND!