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"We are in the mind of God."

- Vicki Jean Chambers
SSND



School Sisters
of Notre Dame
Central Pacific Province

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25 Years

Sister Vicki Jean served as a librarian for five elementary schools in Milwaukee after her first profession of vows in 1990. Following two years of graduate studies and one year as campus minister in Baltimore, she returned to Milwaukee and taught high school for two years, then served as director of religious education for four years at St. Bernadette Parish. In 2006, she accepted the position of librarian at Memphis Catholic High School in Tennessee, serving there until a 2010 return to Milwaukee, where she trained as associate archivist for the School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province. She continues in that ministry. She received a bachelor's in religious studies from Edgewood College in Madison, later earning masters' in both library science and religious studies, from the University of Wisconsin and Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee, respectively.

A blessing of these years ...

In this Year of Consecrated Life, I wish to share with others that one of the countless blessings I have received was the invitation to religious life. I am grateful for my call as a School Sister of Notre Dame in which I have received prayerful support from my family, friends and others on this journey. Their presence in my life has helped me to grow and deepen my understanding of being a disciple of Christ while continuing the charism of Blessed Mary Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger.

The wisdom I would like to share ...

One gem of wisdom is the presence of the Trinity in our lives and the insights I've gained. God's love for us is everlasting ... the heart of Christ impels us to loving service for others ... and the movement of the Holy Spirit will guide and direct us to make a difference in our world today. I believe this is our calling for our global community, and we must claim the assurance that we are not alone on this path. We are in the mind of God.

A meaningful time in my ministry ...

I am grateful to others who have granted me the privilege of collaborating with them at a special time of the journey. I was fortunate to receive many spiritual gifts from each of my ministries. These inspiring and enriching encounters granted me the opportunity to share with others my life as a School Sister of Notre Dame and the presence of the community.

What drew you to the School Sisters of Notre Dame?

I was introduced to the School Sisters of Notre Dame as a student in Milwaukee. The sisters were present to me at St. Boniface Grade School, St. Elizabeth Grade School and Messmer High School. At a young age, I was struck by the SSND spirit and their commitments to education and social change. Later, it was their example that prompted me to discern my vocation. I especially cherish Constitution #9 of *You Are Sent*: "We are called and sent to deepen communion with God and among people wherever we are – in every place, in every time, in every situation."