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ister Nancy Carol's decades of ministry include 20+ years in elementary and middle school education. She served in numerous towns across Wisconsin, beginning in Madison and moving on to Mount Calvary, Butler, Marshfield, West Allis, Green Bay and West Bend. In 1979, she turned from teaching to parish ministry, serving eight years in Superior, Wisconsin; Goshen, Indiana; and Crystal Lake, Illinois. Following a sabbatical in 1988, she resumed her pastoral ministry in South Milwaukee and Spencer, Iowa. Between 1998-2005, she served adult faith formation at Holy Redeemer Parish in Marshall, Minnesota. She spent two years at Notre Dame of Elm Grove prior to accepting a volunteer tutoring position at the Milwaukee Achiever-Scott Center, service she rendered for four years between 2007-2013. Currently, Sister Nancy is serving as volunteer coordinator of the Notre Dame of Elm Grove Resource Center. She holds a bachelor's in education from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee.

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

There are so many memorable experiences throughout my 60 years of religious life! Where does one begin? My teaching years (21 of them) were all filled with lots of fun times, like running a folk fair with my 6th grade class at a couple of missions. It was based on the genealogies I had asked them to work on and the folk fair was the culminating experience.

Then there were those field trips to River Edge Nature Center, where we had electives for getting into things — actually getting into the river and recording things; an archeological dig; catching birds and determining the kind/sex; trust experiences ... all of them were fantastic! I recall having health fairs; times table races; spelling bees; learning to do the new math, etc.

But times were changing, and I began to move into parish ministry. As always, it was the people I worked with that are most memorable for me. We could laugh and cry together, rejoice and mourn together. The most exciting piece for me in all those places was directing the RCIA process. Moving through the conversion process with the folks was so life-giving for me, as well as them. We ALL had much to learn and the sharing times were most precious. I am grateful to God for all of these experiences, but most especially for the beautiful people who impacted my life! They are still in my thoughts and prayers.