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JUBILEE WISDOM

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SSND**

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70 Years

Sister Mary Alice's devoted ministry in food services and housekeeping has taken her to communities across Minnesota and North Dakota. Beginning in 1945, she served on staff at Mankato's Good Counsel Convent for three years. From 1948-1963, she answered the call to the Minnesota communities of St. Leo, Northfield, Winona and St. Paul. After a three-year assignment in New England, North Dakota, she returned to Winona and St. Paul, working in pastoral ministry at Our Lady of Guadalupe from 1975-1981. For 15+ years she dedicated her ministry to providing in-home care and comfort for the elderly in New Prague, Minnesota. Beginning in 2000, she joined the community of sisters living at Mankato's Good Counsel Convent, where she continues to reside in presence and prayer.

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

I appreciate the mixture of all the sisters – the internationality of the School Sisters of Notre Dame and those connections around the world have been a special blessing.

The words of wisdom I would like to share ...

Living in community as best as you are able is very important. It isn't always easy but try to be extra kind and then you will be able to get along with them all.

What was an especially meaningful time in your ministry?

I loved helping the elderly – men and women in nursing homes. Sometimes caring for them was hard, but I kept loving them.

What drew you to the School Sisters of Notre Dame?

I was encouraged to come to SSND by my catechism teacher and organist at our church in North Dakota.