

# Jubilee 2016



First Profession  
July 30, 1966

## Susan Biegert, SSND

50 Years

**Sister Susan** began her teaching ministry after her first profession of vows in 1966. She served as a junior high teacher at St. George in Linn, Missouri, and at Immaculate Conception in Jackson, Missouri. Sister Susan also served as an elementary school teacher at Sacred Heart in Lawrence, Nebraska, for seven years and at St. Peter in Belleville, Illinois, for three years before beginning as an administrator at Sacred Heart in Lawrence, Nebraska, for four years. She currently teaches religion at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Porcupine, South Dakota. She received her bachelor's in American studies from the Notre Dame College in St. Louis and a master's in education with a focus in reading from Clarke College in Dubuque, Iowa.

### A memory I would like to share...

In all of the places where I have taught, whether it has been Lynn, Missouri; Lawrence, Nebraska; Cape Girardeau, Illinois; Jackson, Missouri; or here in Porcupine, South Dakota, the students are my main focus and reason for being a teacher. They give me life and call me to bring them hope. I believe I have done this by taking students to state math competitions, bringing two schools together, hosting spelling bees, planning Christmas programs and coordinating all the fun activities during Catholic Schools Week with crazy hair and hat day, knowledge bowl, spirit day and the yearly talent show.

A funny story that I would like to share is I am always on the go. "Walk don't run," echoes in my brain as I speed walk through the hallways and up and down stairs to the next classroom. I do not run, but I walk fast. I help with the lunch room duties here at Our Lady of Lourdes Elementary, and I had just finished a prayer service with kindergarten through fourth grade. I left and went down to the gym for lunch duty. When the kindergarteners came down right afterwards, they asked me how I got down there so fast. I told them I have magic shoes on. They looked under the table at my shoes. I clicked them together like Dorothy. Their eyes got wide. The teacher aide next to me just laughed. It is things like this that I think make school fun!

-formerly S. Bethani Marie