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Formerly Sister Mary Samuel

Sister Elaine AuBuchon, SSND

Sister Elaine taught in several elementary schools in Missouri and Illinois and served as principal in Belleville and St. Louis throughout the 1970s and 1980s. She served on staff at the St. Louis Archdiocesan Education Office from 1986 to 1989, then as director of teacher personnel for the Archdiocese through late 1996. To prepare for ministry with the marginalized, Sister Elaine assisted at the Dwelling Place in New York and at Catholic Worker House in 1997. She ministered as coordinator of volunteers at the Criminal Justice Ministry in St. Louis from 1998 through 2004, and continued working with prisoners from 2004 to 2014 as director and teacher with Educating Behind Bars, originally known as Alternatives with Education. Since 2015, she serves other marginalized persons through the St. Augustine Wellston Center and Immigrant Women and Refugee Program, and performs outreach to former jail and prison students. She holds a bachelor's in music from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis and a master's in religious studies from St. Louis University.



A reflection I have to share...

The experience and memories of friendship and community over these past 50 years are what I continue to treasure most. Former and current profession classmates, sisters in community, friends in ministry and elsewhere, and family have enriched my life immeasurably and filled me with much gratitude. They have enabled me to grow and change, know the strength and support that friendship provides, and experience the joy that is integral to community life.

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