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Central Pacific Province

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Formerly Mary Ronald

Sister Ann Schoch, SSND

Sister Ann devoted the first two decades of ministry to teaching and administration in Catholic grade schools across the Upper Midwest. She taught from 1959-1966 at St. Mary in New England, North Dakota. From 1966-1969, she was principal and teacher at Immaculate Conception in Forsyth, Montana. She followed her call to St. Paul, Minnesota, serving as teacher and administrator at St. Matthew through 1977. Sister Ann took her ministry in a new direction, serving in Kisii, Kenya, East Africa, for the next 13 years — the first five as administrator and teacher at St. Francis Upgrading Centre, helping women religious from four East African countries and nine congregations finish their secondary or elementary education. Her last eight years, as teacher and administrator, were at St. Theresa Gekano Girls' - a secondary boarding school for 360 students. Sister Ann returned to the U.S. for a sabbatical in Boston and then from 1991-1995, served as administrator of St. Wenceslaus School in Dickinson, North Dakota. She moved to Mankato, Minnesota, when elected to the Provincial Council, serving eight years. From Mankato, she was invited to the Generalate in Rome for a five-year term as personal secretary to the General Superior. She moved from Rome to the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in North Dakota. Living in Fort Yates, she ministered in four parishes of the Catholic Indian Mission from 2008-2013. Her pastoral outreach was to the elderly and hospitalized. Since 2014, she is pastoral minister to Native Americans at the two main hospitals and in several rehabs in Billings, Montana. Among the sick are the homeless, those dealing with alcohol, and the drug addict. Sister Ann holds a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee. In 1973, she earned a master's degree in school administration from DePaul University in Chicago.



A memory I want to share...

Most life-changing were my years with Kenyans and Native Americans. Both groups brought me back to where land and Earth is deemed sacred, where trust in the provident God is essential and where people, not time, is valued.

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