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Sister Henrita Gonia, SSND

Sister Henrita served as an elementary education teacher for over 45 years. Beginning in 1960, she taught at schools across several dioceses of Wisconsin, including St. Agnes in Butler, Our Lady of Lourdes in Marinette, St. Joachim in Pittsville, St. Jerome in Oconomowoc, St. Nicholas in Freedom, and St. Stephen in Stevens Point. From 1988-1995, she continued teaching full-time at St. Mary in Bear Creek, in the Green Bay diocese. For the next decade, she served the students at Holy Cross (consolidated school) in Mount Calvary in the Milwaukee diocese — it was her final teaching assignment. Sister Henrita moved to Coolville, Ohio, where she undertook pastoral work at Sacred Heart Retreat Center, a post she held through the end of 2010. She remained in Coolville until late 2013, serving as a volunteer in hospitality, then returned to reside in prayer and presence at Notre Dame of Elm Grove. Sister Henrita holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from Mount Mary College in Milwaukee. In 1971, she earned a master's degree in education from the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point.



A memory I want to share...

As a primary teacher, I began my career in 1960. I enjoyed 45 years of leading the little ones, especially in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist.

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