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Formerly Mary Jude

Sister Virginia Grumich, SSND

Sister Virginia has served in numerous dioceses and ministries across the U.S. She was a special education teacher at St. Mary's Special School in St. Louis from 1961-1968. She moved to California, continuing in teaching at the schools of Holy Family in San Diego and St. Helen in Fresno. From 1970-1973, she was a special education administrator for Tierra del Sol Center for the Handicapped in Sunland, near Los Angeles. Returning to St. Louis, she continued in special education administration at St. Joseph's Vocational Center, a position she held from 1974-1981. She was asked to do congregational service, working as director of the Mission Office from 1981-1988. In 1990, Sister Virginia turned to parish ministry, serving as a pastoral associate for three rural Illinois parishes in the Diocese of Springfield through 1993. She continued in a similar role in Oglala, South Dakota, from 1993-1995. In 1996, she began a period of program direction for the Social Concerns Office of the Diocese of Jefferson City, Missouri. From 1998-2013, she served full-time in parish ministry at Holy Family parish in Hannibal, Missouri. Since that time, she has resided in St. Louis as a full-time volunteer at Theresa Center. Sister Virginia earned her bachelor's degree in history from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. She holds a master's degree in special education from Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee.



A memory I want to share...

As postulants, we visited St. Mary's Special School, a boarding school for children with developmental disabilities. That visit planted a desire in my heart to teach someday at St. Mary's, so early in my religious life, I was sent there and taught.

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