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Central Pacific Province

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2019 Jubilee

Celebrating 50
First Profession—7/27/1969
Formerly M. Laura

Sister Barbara Bacak, SSND

Sister Barbara Bacak hails from Kerrville, Texas. She made her first profession to the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Dallas in 1969. Her first decade of ministry was devoted to elementary education, teaching Catholic grade school in Lake Charles and Marrero, Louisiana, and at Holy Rosary in San Antonio, Texas. Turning to elementary education administration, Sister Barbara was called to the diocese of Jackson, Mississippi, during the 1980s, serving at St. Therese and Holy Family, both in Jackson. In 1990, she accepted a position as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) and Evangelization minister at St. Margaret of Scotland in Lake Charles, Louisiana, a post she held for six years. Sister Barbara spent the early 2000s in Guatemala City, Guatemala; there, she was a parish catechist. From 2000 -2003, she served as pastoral associate at Our Lady of Guadalupe in Cuero, Texas, and pastoral life delegate from 2003-2008 at St. Joseph in Inez, Texas. From 2008-2015, she turned to congregational services as vocation director for the Dallas Province. Following a period of renewal, she served as chaplain at Dallas's Parkland Memorial Hospital. Sister Barbara holds a bachelor's in elementary education from the University of Dallas. In 1980, she completed a masters of education in administration at Our Lady of the Lake in San Antonio.



A memory I have to share...

During our 25-year anniversary we visited places significant to our SSND heritage. I could feel the presence of Mother Theresa and other SSNDs especially when we were in Germany and in Rome. It was truly a graced time.

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