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Central Pacific Province

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2019 Jubilee

Celebrating 70
First Profession—8/3/1949
Formerly Marie Jerome

Sister Rita Reisch, SSND

Sister Rita Reisch was born and raised in St. Louis, making her first profession there in 1949. Her early decades of ministry were devoted to teaching Catholic grade school students across Missouri. Assignments included Holy Cross in Cuba, St. Peter's in Jefferson City, and St. Aloysius Gonzaga in St. Louis, where she both taught and served in administration from 1966-1972. The next 20 years of teaching were split between Our Lady of Sorrows and St. Andrew's, both in St. Louis. From 1992-1996, Sister Rita served in SSND leadership as a Local Leader at the St. Louis motherhouse. She moved to Belleville, Illinois, where she served a number of years in volunteer ministries at St. Peter Cathedral School and Meredith Memorial retirement home. From 2003-2016, Sister Rita lived at the SSND residence in Sun City, near Phoenix, volunteering in pastoral ministry at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish. She currently resides and volunteers at the Theresa Center in St. Louis. She earned a bachelor's degree in history from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. In 1967, she completed a master's degree in education at St. Louis University.



A memory I have to share...

While ministering to elderly in Sun City, Arizona, I was touched by the loving care of a husband to his wife with advanced dementia. I am grateful that by my prayer and presence we were a blessing to each other.

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