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Sister Madeleine Sophie Witt, SSND

Born in Quincy, Illinois, *Sister Madeleine Sophie* Witt made her first profession in St. Louis in 1944. She devoted her decades of active ministry to teaching, service to the congregation, and pastoral ministries. Early teaching assignments around St. Louis included St. John Nepomuk, St. Alphonsus Rock, and St. Charles Borromeo. Sister Madeleine Sophie moved to high school classrooms in the 1950s, teaching at Immaculate Conception in Loose Creek, Missouri; St. Joseph in Conway, Arkansas; and Notre Dame High School in St. Louis. From 1955-1968, she served in vocational ministry for the congregation in St. Louis, as director of aspirants and director of initial formation. She relocated to the Los Angeles area, teaching at St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Spring, California for 11 years beginning in 1968. She returned to the Midwest, serving at Helias High School in Jefferson City, Missouri, until 1991. Sister Madeleine Sophie turned to pastoral ministry, devoting the next decade to serving parishioners at St. George in Linn, Missouri. Returning to St. Louis, she continued volunteer ministries during the early 2000s at the motherhouse, moving to Veronica House in 2006. Since 2010, she has resided in prayerful presence at Anna House in Bridgeton. Sister Madeleine Sophie holds a bachelor's degree in biology from the former Le Clerc College in Belleville, Illinois. She later earned two masters' degrees: first in theology from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana; the second in spirituality from the University of San Francisco.



A memory I have to share...

I've been happy wherever I've been asked to go and am very grateful to God for all His blessings. Being faithful to our vows has been very important to me. Words of wisdom to share: "Take life a day at a time and make it good."

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