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## Sister Thelma Vetsch, SSND

*Sister Thelma Vetsch hails from the town of St. Michael in Minnesota. She made her first profession in Mankato, Minnesota, in 1944. She devoted many decades to serving Catholic middle school students across Minnesota, North Dakota, and Washington. Her first teaching assignments took her to schools in the St. Paul/Minneapolis diocese, including: Immaculate Conception in Lonsdale, Assumption in St. Paul, St. Mary in New Trier, St. Mary in Bellechester, and St. Agnes in St. Paul. Sister Thelma served in administration beginning in the 1960s at St. Pius in the diocese of Bismarck, North Dakota, Christ the King in Omak, Washington, and Holy Family in Clarkston, also in Washington. She returned to Minneapolis-area classrooms in the early 1970s, teaching at St. John the Baptist in Savage and Corpus Christi in St. Paul, Minnesota. Sister Thelma's final teaching assignment took her to Immaculate Conception-St. Joseph in Gilbertville, Iowa, there she served from 1982-1985. She then began parish ministry at Holy Childhood in St. Paul, Minnesota, serving as librarian for a time, as well as visiting the sick, elderly and infirm, which she continued for nearly a decade. Sister Thelma resided in St. Paul until 2011, when she moved to Our Lady of Good Counsel in Mankato, Minnesota, where she served as librarian and a campus volunteer for the congregation through 2017. She continues to live there in prayerful witness. Sister Thelma holds a bachelor's degree in history from the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul. In 1965, she completed a master's degree in administration at the University of St. Thomas, also in St. Paul, Minnesota.*



### *A memory I have to share...*

Over the years, I have many wonderful memories in community. I especially cherish our celebrations of Jubilee, Vows, Province and Heritage Days when we all come together and had meaningful liturgies and get to see so many of our friends.

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