Sister Frances Cabrini was born in St. Louis and made her first profession there in 1970. Her decades of teaching ministry began in the Midwest in 1971, teaching students at the Catholic elementary schools of: St. Aloysius in St. Louis; St. Philip in East St. Louis, Illinois; St. Andrew in St. Louis; St. Henry in Belleville, Illinois; and St. Mary in Alton, Illinois. She also taught at Santa Isabel in Los Angeles, California. In 1985, Sister Frances Cabrini undertook six years of ministry as a nurse’s aide and driver for the congregation at Sancta Maria in Ripa in St. Louis. Following completion of advanced nursing degrees, she accepted a position as a full-time registered nurse at St. Louis University Hospital. Her ministry there lasted nearly two decades, with advancements to nursing manager and, ultimately, administrative director of nursing. From 2014 through 2015, she served at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis as a patient care manager. Since 2015, Sister Frances Cabrini has served as a registered nurse for hospice patients turning to Mercy Health Services in St. Louis. She holds a bachelor’s degree in American Studies from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. She later completed bachelors and master’s degrees in nursing, both from St. Louis University.

A memory I have to share...
On my 19th Annotation Retreat, I prayed daily, “I ask for your grace, oh Lord, that all my motives, decisions, knowledge be in service of your divine majesty.” If my motives were true, then my decisions and efforts would also be.