

Celebrating 50

First Profession—1/1/1970

Formerly Susan Mara

2020 Jubilee

Sister Susan Renner, SSND

Sister Susan was born in Belleville, Illinois. In 1970, she made her first profession in St. Louis. She began her ministry in 1971 in St. Louis, serving for 13 years at St. Mary's Special School, followed by eight years in administration. The next three years were in special education administration for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Sister Susan returned to St. Mary's through 1991. She served the congregation as director of maintenance at Sancta Maria in Ripa from 1992 through 1995. Turning to social services, she ministered as program director and assistant director at The Family Center in East St. Louis, Illinois, through 2005. During these years, she also accepted the role of director of initial formation for the former St. Louis Province. From 2005 to 2018, Sister Susan continued to serve in congregational roles in St. Louis, first as part of the "Futuring SSND Charism" team, then as area coordinator for associates. She also assisted in the mission advancement department. In 2018, she relocated to Jefferson City, Missouri, where she serves full-time as director at St. Nicholas Academy, a new boarding school serving underprivileged students. Sister Susan holds a bachelor's degree in music theory from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. In 1983, she completed a master's degree in special education from Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee.



A memory I have to share...

My first ministry, working with special needs children, were the happiest 20 years of my religious life. We, sisters, love being with and working together with the children. They bring out the best in each of us. God is faithful always!

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