

2020 Jubilee

Sister Diane Marie Turner, SSND

Sister Diane Marie was born in East St. Louis, Illinois. She made her first profession in St. Louis in 1960. Her active ministry years included roles as a teacher, director of religious education (DRE) and pastoral associate, primarily across Missouri and Illinois. Early classroom assignments took her to Catholic elementary schools, including: St. Bernadette in St. Louis, from 1962 to 1963; St. Mary in Alton, Illinois, from 1963 through 1969; St. Philip in East St. Louis, Illinois, from 1969 to 1972; Notre Dame Elementary School in St. Louis from 1972 to 1974; and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Herrin, Illinois, from 1975 to 1977. Sister Diane Marie next served as Director of Religious Education at parishes, including: St. Vincent in Keokuk, Iowa, from 1977 to 1981; St. Bernard in Wood River, Illinois, from 1981 through 1986; St. Louis in Nokomis, Illinois, from 1986 to 1990; and St. Barbara in Witt, Illinois, from 1989 to 1990; and Our Lady of the Holy Spirit in Mount Zion, Illinois, from 1990 through 1993. Following one year in congregational services as a driver, she worked as a pastoral associate for two parishes in the Diocese of Belleville, Illinois: St. Boniface in Evansville and St. Pius V in Walsh. She served as a spiritual director, as well as parish life coordinator at St. Felicita, Beaver Prairie, Illinois. Concluding these ministries at the end of 2018, Sister Diane Marie resides in Belleville, Illinois. She holds a bachelor's degree in economics from the former Notre Dame College in St. Louis. In 1990, she completed a master's degree in pastoral studies at Chicago's Loyola University.



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