

Celebrating 60

First Profession—7/17/1960

Formerly Mary Raymond

2020 Jubilee

Sister Donna Marie Wermus, SSND

Sister Donna Marie was born in St. Paul, Minnesota. She made her first profession in 1960 in Mankato, Minnesota, and began her teaching ministry at St. Michael in Prior Lake, Minnesota, from 1961 to 1965. Over the next decade, she served students at Sacred Heart in St. Paul, Minnesota; Christ the King in Omak, Washington; and St. Anthony in Lismore, Minnesota. Sister Donna Marie returned to St. Michael for two years, then accepted a six-year post in pastoral ministry and religious education at St. John parish in Appleton, Minnesota. From 1985 to 1987, she served on staff at SSND's Our Lady of Good Counsel Education Center in Mankato, Minnesota, followed by seven years as director of religious education at St. Mary parish in Waverly, Minnesota. Sister Donna Marie was called to Guatemala, where she served from 1994-1998 in parish administration at San Sebastian in San Marcos. Back in the United States, she continued in a similar role at St. John parish in Belle Plaine, Minnesota, through 2005. Moving to Renville, Minnesota, she served in a similar role at Holy Redeemer parish through 2013. Over the past six years, Sister Donna Marie has served full-time teaching English as a second language to students attending the Learning in Style School in Minneapolis. She holds a bachelor's degree in education from Mount Mary College (now University) in Milwaukee. In 1985, she completed a master's degree in pastoral ministry at Seattle University.



A memory I have to share...

My awareness has been expanded, and my life enriched, through opportunities to minister with people of cultures different from my own in Washington State, Guatemala and in my current ministry.

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