Sister Janet was born in Jordan, Minnesota. She made her first profession in Mankato, Minnesota, in 1960. She served as a teacher and pastoral associate in many Catholic schools and parishes within Minnesota. Early assignments took her to classrooms in St. Clara, Clara City; St. Michael, Madison; Holy Rosary, North Mankato; St. Johns, Mankato; St. Michael, Prior Lake; and Shakopee Area Catholic Schools, in Shakopee. She turned to pastoral ministry in Minnesota during the late 1972 to 2012, serving at St. Mary, Waverly; St. Edward, Minnesota; St. Francis of Assisi, Rochester; St. Kevin, Minneapolis and St. Columba, St. Paul. Following hospital chaplaincy at Fairview Riverside hospital in Minneapolis, while earning six units of CPE, Sister Janet returned to parish ministries, serving at the Cathedral in St. Paul, from 1994 through 2001, and St. Rose of Lima in Roseville, from 2001 through 2008. She served as a chaplain at St. Paul’s Lyngblomsten Care Center through 2012, followed by four years of volunteering for the Little Sisters of the Poor nursing home. Sister Janet continues a volunteer ministry at Lumen Christi Parish in St. Paul while residing in prayerful presence at a SSND residence. She holds both a bachelor’s and master’s degree in elementary education, from Mount Mary College (now University) in Milwaukee and the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis, respectively. Sister Janet also completed a master’s degree in pastoral studies from the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul.

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I will always remember with gratitude the many ways SSND encouraged, supported and provided opportunities for me to grow spiritually and academically.