

# 2021 Jubilee - Celebrating 60

*First Profession—7/17/1961*

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## Sister Mary Ann Kuttner, SSND

Sister Mary Ann was born in Stewart, Minnesota, and in 1961, made first profession in Mankato, Minnesota. In 1963, she received a bachelor's degree in history from Mount Mary College (now University), Milwaukee, and began her ministry that same year, teaching at SS. Peter and Paul, Springbrook, Iowa. She spent the next three years teaching in Minnesota schools, including St. Joseph, Montevideo; St. Casimir, Wells; and St. Mary, Worthington. After serving as a telephone operator and continuing to study music at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Mankato, Minnesota, she returned to the classroom in 1968, teaching and giving piano lessons at Sacred Heart, St. Paul; St. Francis de Sales, St. Paul; and St. Stanislaus, Winona, all in Minnesota. From 1979 to 1987, she served as secretary for the provincial council and was also the organist and archivist in Mankato. Sister Mary Ann then went to Austria, where she studied German at the University of Vienna. After her return to Mankato, she translated Sister Mary Imma Mack's book, "Why I Love Azaleas," from German to English. She served as archivist for the former St. Louis province from 1991 to 1997. Beginning in 1998, Sister Mary Ann was a translator for five years at the Generalate in Rome and four more years in Mankato. She translated and annotated more than 1,700 letters of SSND foundress Blessed Mary Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger from German to English. After their publication, she served as a resource person at Our Lady of Good Counsel until 2012, when she was appointed director of the SSND Central Pacific Province Archives. From 2012 until 2018, she also helped lay the groundwork for the SSND North American Archives in Milwaukee. She continues serving as resource person and translator at Our Lady of Good Counsel.



### A memory I have to share...

It has been a blessing to meet so many sisters from various parts of the world and to learn about the lives of those who have gone before us. I am deeply grateful for God's call to be an SSND.

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