

2021 Jubilee - Celebrating 60

First Profession—4/6/1961

Sister Mary Bernard Iwai, SSND

Sister Mary Bernard was born in Kyoto, Japan, and made first profession at Shishigatani Convent, Kyoto, in 1961. That same year, she started serving as music teacher and principal at Notre Dame Girls' High School. She received a bachelor's degree from Musashino Music College, Tokyo, in 1968. After serving at Notre Dame Girls' High School for 37 years, Sister Mary Bernard served as a campus minister at Kyoto Notre Dame University from 1999 to 2006, and led a teachers' group called, "Learning from Mother Therese," from 2005 to 2018. Since 2002, Sister Mary Bernard has served on the board of directors for the Notre Dame Jogakuin School Corporation, Kyoto, and since 2006, has been giving private piano lessons to grade school students. Beginning in 2020, she was appointed SSND associates coordinator.



A memory I have to share...

Whenever I got an assignment in a new field, it was a big challenge for me. Now, I know God has enriched my life through various challenges. I am very grateful for SSND and God.

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