

2021 Jubilee - Celebrating 60

First Profession—7/31/1961

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Sister Rosemarie Nassif, SSND

Sister Rosemarie was born in St. Louis and made first profession there in 1961. She received a bachelor's degree in chemistry from the former Notre Dame College, St. Louis, in 1963. She began her ministry that same year, teaching at St. Wenceslaus, St. Louis, and then at St. Francis Borgia, Washington, Missouri. In 1965, she enrolled at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., and earned a doctorate in chemistry in 1970. She spent the 1970s teaching at Notre Dame College and the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. In 1983, she was elected to serve a four-year term on the provincial council for the former St. Louis province and then served for three years as vicar for religious for the Archdiocese of St. Louis. In 1990, Sister Rosemarie was named executive vice president for the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, Baltimore, and she was a fellow at Bryn Mawr College, Pennsylvania, from 1991 to 1992. She then returned to the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, serving as its president for four years. From 1997 to 1999, she was the executive director for the Fund for Educational Excellence, Baltimore. During the 2000s, Sister Rosemarie served as president at Holy Names University in Oakland, California. She was special advisor to the assistant secretary for post secondary education for the Department of Education, Washington, from 2011 to 2012. From 2012 to 2017, Sister Rosemarie was the program director of the sisters program for the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, Los Angeles, and is currently, the executive director of the Center for Catholic Education at Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles.



A memory I have to share...

My most profound and lasting experiences are the friends I've made among the SSNDs who always assisted me in expanding my goals, extending my love, confronting my weaknesses, amending my mistakes and giving myself away for others.

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