

# 2021 Jubilee - Celebrating 75

*First Profession—7/31/1946*

## Sister Berenice Hartke, SSND

Sister Berenice was born in Bishop Creek, Illinois, and in 1946, made first profession in St. Louis. In that same year, she began her ministry, teaching elementary school students at St. Joseph, Conway, Arkansas. After teaching at St. Joseph for four years, she spent the 1950s teaching at St. Aloysius Gonzaga, St. Louis; St. Boniface, Koelztown, Missouri; and St. Henry, Belleville, Illinois. During this period, Sister Berenice received a bachelor's degree in elementary education from Webster College (now University), Webster Groves, Missouri. In 1959, she taught intermediate level students at Immaculate Conception, Marrero, Louisiana, for one year, and then served as teacher and administrator at Immaculate Conception, West Alton, Missouri. From the mid-1960s to early 1970s, she taught at All Souls and served as administrator at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, both in St. Louis. In 1973, Sister Berenice earned a master's degree in education from St. Louis University, St. Louis. After receiving her master's degree, she went to California, teaching at St. Marianne de Paredes, Pico Rivera, for three years. She returned to Missouri and was the administrator at St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles, until 1982. She served as teacher and administrator at St. Anthony, Quincy, Illinois, until 1992, and teacher and administrator at St. Anthony, Effingham, Illinois, until 2003. She spent the rest of the 2000s tutoring at St. Anthony and the Notre Dame Tutorial Center, St. Louis, and teaching at the Notre Dame Learning Center, St. Louis. Sister Berenice is currently serving in prayer and presence at Anna House, The Sarah Community, Bridgeton, Missouri.



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

While living in California, a friend who could not imagine a place named Bishop Creek, my birthplace in Illinois, offered to drive me there. What greater joy than cruising through God's wonderful world and arriving home!

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