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Central Pacific Province

2022 Jubilee

Sister Ruth Chausse, SSND

Formerly Mary Fourier

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A memory I have to share...

I especially enjoyed ministering in my hometown of Nokomis. I felt so close to the people there. They were hugely supportive of my ministry as principal. We just had a wonderful connection.

Sister Ruth Chausse was born in Nokomis, Illinois, and in 1962 made first profession in St. Louis. In 1964 she received a bachelor's degree in American studies from the former Notre Dame College, St. Louis. Her ministry began that same year, teaching at Our Lady Queen of Peace, House Springs, Missouri. She remained at Our Lady Queen of Peace for one year and then taught for four years at St. Liborius, St. Louis and for three years at St. Francis Borgia, Washington, Missouri. She received a master's degree in elementary education from the University of Central Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas, in 1972. After receiving her master's degree Sister Ruth taught and served as administrator at St. Joseph, East St. Louis, Illinois. After remaining there for three years she served as administrator for seven years at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. Louis. In 1982 she went to St. Joseph, Farmington, Missouri, where she taught for one year and then served as administrator for four years. She served for two years as administrator at St. Peter, Belleville, Illinois. From the 1990s to the early 2010s Sister Ruth taught at St. James, Millstadt, Illinois, for six years and then served as administrator, first at St. Theresa of Avila, Salem, Illinois, and then at St. Louis in her hometown of Nokomis, Illinois. In 2012 Sister Ruth stepped away from teaching and spent

time volunteering at Maria Center, Sancta

Maria in Ripa, St. Louis and ministering

to the elderly with Sisters of St.

Joseph of Carondelet Ministries,

St. Louis. She also served

as a caregiver with Good

Samaritan Senior Care and in

other locations throughout St.

Louis. Since 2015 Sister Ruth

has been serving in prayer and

presence and currently resides at

Our Mother of Perpetual Help, St. Louis.

