



School Sisters of Notre Dame  
Central Pacific Province

# 2023 Jubilee

## Sister Joanne Hanrahan, SSND

*Formerly James Maureen*

*First Profession - August 2, 1963 | Celebrating 60 Years*



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

Experiencing the life and ministry of sisters in our international congregation has been an inspiration and blessing. Being with sisters of our congregation and other women religious, I have seen charism and mission incarnated in lives of commitment and love.

Sister Joanne Hanrahan is a native of St. Louis, and made first profession there in 1963. In 1965, she received a bachelor's degree in history from the former Notre Dame College, St. Louis. For the first eight years of her ministry, Sister Joanne taught elementary students at St. Agatha, New Athens, Illinois, and high school students at Notre Dame High School, St. Louis; and Althoff Catholic High School, Belleville, Illinois. In 1974, she received a master's degree in history from Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska, and in 1979, she received a doctorate in American studies from St. Louis University, St. Louis. During the late 1970s through the 1980s, she served as a program director at Maria Center, on the campus of Sancta Maria at Ripa, St. Louis. She then went to Baltimore, where she was the director of the Women's Institute at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland (now University) for seven years. In 1999, she was called to serve as provincial leader for the School Sisters of Notre Dame former St. Louis Province. After serving as provincial leader for eight years, Sister Joanne served from 2008 to 2011, as a coordinator for the process that brought the former Dallas, Milwaukee, Mankato and St. Louis Provinces together to form the School Sisters

of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province (SSNDCP). She then served as

a coordinator for infrastructure development for SSNDCP for two years. Since 2013, Sister Joanne has been serving as a facilitator and consultant for various religious communities throughout the United States and in other countries.

