



School Sisters of Notre Dame  
Central Pacific Province

# 2023 Jubilee

## Sister Nicolette Karcher, SSND

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

My SSND years have been a blessing working with students from rural to city life. Most of all, I cherish my ministry with Native Americans on the Dakota reservations, which has deepened my relationship with God, earth and all creation.



**Sister Nicolette Karcher** was born in East St. Louis, Illinois, and in 1963, she made first profession in St. Louis. In 1965, she received a bachelor's degree in American studies from the former Notre Dame College, St. Louis. That same year, she began her ministry at St. Martin of Tours in St. Louis, teaching there until 1968. She then went to Our Lady of Lourdes, Washington, Missouri, where she taught for three years. She taught one year at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, St. Louis, before going to St. Joseph in East St. Louis, Illinois, for six years. In 1974, Sister Nicolette received a master's degree in education, with an emphasis in reading, from Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. In 1978, she went to Immaculate Conception in Dardenne, Missouri, where she taught for seven years and served as principal for the last four years. From the mid-1980s until 2010, she taught at St. Joseph, Manchester, Missouri, for one year; St. William, St. Louis, for eight years; St. Ambrose, Godfrey, Illinois, for two years; and St. Bernard Indian Mission, Fort Yates, North Dakota, for 13 years. For three years, Sister Nicolette was in Belleville, Illinois, serving as a volunteer and substitute teacher at various locations throughout the area. From 2012 to 2013, she served as a teacher's aide at Notre Dame Preschool, St. Louis, and from 2013 to 2014, she was a substitute

teacher and provided before and after school care for children at Sacred Heart School in Troy, Missouri. She was a tutor for three years at Red Cloud Indian Mission School in Pine Ridge, South Dakota. Currently, Sister Nicolette volunteers at St. Vincent de Paul in East St. Louis, Illinois, and resides in prayer and presence in Belleville, Illinois.