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Central Pacific Province

2023 Jubilee

Sister Mary Paul Holdmeyer, SSND

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A memory I have to share...

I enjoyed teaching at St. Francis Borgia High School in Washington, Missouri. The school had a great faculty and student body. I love being a School Sister of Notre Dame and living with so many wonderful women.

Sister Mary Paul Holdmeyer is originally from Washington, Missouri, and in 1953, she made first profession in St. Louis. That same year, she began teaching at St. Jude Academy, San Diego, where she remained for one year. She returned to St. Louis to study at the former Notre Dame College where she received a bachelor's degree in natural science in 1956. For 18 years, Sister Mary Paul taught high school students at St. Anthony High School, Effingham, Illinois; St. Paul High School, Highland, Illinois; Notre Dame High School, Cape Girardeau, Missouri; Hannibal Catholic High School, Hannibal, Missouri; and Rosary High School, St. Louis. In 1967, she received a master's degree in mathematics from the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, Illinois. From 1974 to 1979, she was the initial formation director for the School Sisters of Notre Dame former St. Louis Province. She then returned to the classroom, teaching at St. Paul High School in Santa Fe Spring, California, for 10 years and at St. Francis Borgia High School in Washington, Missouri, for 17 years. During the 2000s and 2010s, Sister Mary Paul ministered in St. Louis, tutoring at Notre Dame Tutorial Center and Notre Dame High School, and teaching at Notre Dame Learning

Center. From 2015 to 2018, she was engaged in community service for the Theresa Center at Sancta Maria in Ripa, St. Louis. Since then, Sister Mary Paul has resided in prayer and presence, first at Veronica House, The Sarah Community, Bridgeton, Missouri, and now at Mother of Perpetual Help, St. Louis.

