

2025 Jubilee

SISTER EILEEN DAUDLIN

First Profession



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Celebrating 70 years



From her earliest childhood school days up through high school, **Sister Eileen Daudlin** was a student of the School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND). That experience and example, combined with her mother's advice to "trust in Divine Providence" helped guide her to make the choice for a religious life. Sister Eileen's vocation included significant time ministering as an educator, and from 1956-1987, she was a dedicated teacher for schools and students throughout the Midwest. Her first teaching assignment was seven years for St. Francis Xavier in Green Bay, Wisconsin. From there, she moved to Chesterton, Indiana to instruct at St. Patrick school, followed by four years at St. Benedict Moor in Detroit. In 1968, she was sent to Galion, Ohio, and spent two years teaching at St. Joseph school. She spent the next five years teaching at St. Louis school in Besancon/New Haven, Indiana. In 1975, Sister Eileen moved to Michigan, where she embarked on a series of teaching ministries for schools in Grand Rapids, Shepherd, Saginaw and Alma. After a period of personal renewal, she would dive back into another four years as a primary teacher, first for St. Augustine in Richmond, Michigan, and then St. Brendan in Detroit. In 1993, Sister Eileen began a new chapter in her ministry, serving as a pastoral associate in Mishawka, Indiana. 2001 found her renewing her role as an educator, but this time for adult students, serving as the RCIA director at St. Vincent de Paul Parish in Elkhart, Indiana. Of this ministry she recalls, "Following 40 years as a primary teacher, I spent 15 years teaching adults about our Catholic faith and preparing them for baptism. It was a grace-filled time for me and for them." Sister Eileen returned to Mishawaka, Indiana in 2006, where she was a preschool assistant and teacher for St. Monica school. She officially retired from her longtime education ministries in 2010. She resided in prayer, presence and service for eight years at Notre Dame of Elm Grove in Elm Grove, Wisconsin and since 2019, now resides in prayer and presence at Our Lady of the Angels in Greenfield, Wisconsin.

What initially drew you to the School Sisters of Notre Dame or how did you know you wanted to be a SSND?

SSND were my teachers from first through twelfth grade. In my senior year I attended a career day and attended the choice for religious life. My mother always told me to trust in Divine Providence and you'll be fine. The sisters always set an example and encouraged me to listen to God.

Is there a special memory you would like to share as you celebrate your Jubilee?

The secret was being around little children and learning from them. I loved it.

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