

2025 Jubilee

SISTER THERESE ANN ZANMILLER

First Profession



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Celebrating 70 years



For the 28 years between 1956 and 1984, **Sister Therese Ann Zanmiller** was a teacher and administrator for schools throughout Minnesota and North Dakota. During this time, she also earned her bachelor's degree in education from Mount Mary College (now University) in Milwaukee and a master's in guidance counseling from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa. "In 1984, when I was 50 years old, our Provincial Council accepted my offer to fill the position of coordinator of Colegio Santa Catarina, a Maya Quiche school in Nahuala, in the highlands of Guatemala. During the following summers, I was given the opportunity to be a part of the GAP (Global Awareness Program) in Guatemala, a summer of discernment in St. Louis, followed by a four month Spanish program at the Maryknoll Language Institute in Cochabamba, Bolivia. During the Christmas holidays there, I was invited to visit the Canadian SSND in LaPaz, which added to my remarkable experiences with new cultures, breathtaking scenery, and interactions with lay and religious missionaries from around the world." After four years in Guatemala, Sister Therese Ann returned to the U.S. in 1989 and re-embraced her role as teacher in schools in St. Peter for six years and Crystal, Minnesota, for 20 years. During the last four years in Crystal, she shared her talents as organist at St. Therese Nursing Home in New Hope, Minnesota. Starting in 2015, Sister Therese Ann divided her time between community service at Good Counsel Convent, and as a reading tutor at the Good Counsel Learning Center in Mankato, Minnesota. In the fall of 2022, Sister Therese Ann moved to the Benedictine Living Community in Shakopee, Minnesota, where she continues today in a ministry of prayer and presence.

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

Another sister, knowing that I wanted to be a sister but had to go to our public high school, told me that I would never make it! I responded vehemently in my heart, "Oh, YES I WILL!" And I did - for 70 years!

What advice or words of wisdom would you want to impart to other

God continues to gift us with great opportunities with their highs and lows and stays close to us through them all!

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