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PRAYER TIME—

In Beacon, Discalced Carmelite Nuns, left, join in morning prayer Oct. 28 in their monastery's chapel. Sister Michaelene Devine, O.C.D., below, prioress, contemplates before a statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel inside the chapel. This year the nuns are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the arrival of their order in the Archdiocese of New York.

Discalced Carmelite Nuns Mark Century of 'Prayer and Praise' in New York

By **ARMANDO MACHADO**

Sister Michaelene Devine, O.C.D., and her prayerful colleagues in Dutchess County have been rejoicing over this year marking the 100th anniversary of the arrival of their order, the Discalced Carmelite Nuns, in the Archdiocese of New York. The monastery, with the nuns leading a contemplative life, is located on Hiddenbrooke Drive in Beacon.

"This milestone is great for the community, and I think it's great for the archdiocese," said Sister Michaelene, 78, prioress at the monastery, in a phone interview last week with Catholic New York.

When nuns from the order arrived in New York from Belgium in 1790, they stayed a few days before moving on to settle in Maryland, so when the Discalced Carmelites established a monastery in New York in 1920, "it was like we came back," their prioress said.

Sister Michaelene entered the order in 1964 when the monastery was in the Bronx; she has served as prioress since 2018.

"Unable to celebrate our 100th anniversary

with due solemnity (because of Covid-19 precautions), we were happy to welcome Cardinal Dolan, Bishop Colacicco (Auxiliary Bishop Gerardo Colacicco) and our pastor, Father Richard Smith, who came to celebrate Mass for us on Oct. 15, the feast of St. Teresa of Jesus," she said.

Cardinal Dolan was the principal celebrant. Father Smith, pastor of St. Joachim-St. John the Evangelist, Beacon, was the homilist.

"We pray for the Church; we pray for the world. Our lives are a life of prayer and praise to God," said Sister Michaelene, who was born and raised in Manhattan. "We pray for our country and for the archdiocese, for all the people in the archdiocese." Her childhood parish was St. Elizabeth in Washington Heights.

She said the monastery used to have daily Mass before the pandemic, with guests welcome; currently it is once a week, with no guests. "We suffer with the people," Sister Michaelene said of the spiritual connection she and other nuns of the monastery have had in their daily prayers for Covid-19 victims, and the families of the sick and the departed.

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DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SPARKILL*75 Years*

Sister Eileen Donovan, O.P., formerly Sister Veronica, entered the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill from Holy Family parish, the Bronx. She taught in the archdiocese at Sacred Heart School, Suffern, 1947-1950; St. Rose of Lima, Manhattan, 1952-1955; St. Anthony, Nanuet, 1955-1958; St. Helena/Msgr. Scanlan High School, the Bronx, 1958-1969 and 1971-1983. She also taught and was a principal in the Diocese of Syracuse. She participated in the career options program at Calvary Hospital, the Bronx, 1983-1984; served in pastoral care ministry at Eger Nursing Home, Staten Island, 1984-1985; and was director of chaplains for the Diocese of Rockville Centre, 1985-2002. She did auxiliary services at Dominican Convent, Sparkill, 2002-2015.

Sister Margaret Harrison, O.P., formerly known as Sister Mariella, entered from St. Rose of Lima parish, Manhattan. She served at these schools in the archdiocese: St. Brendan School, the Bronx, 1947-1948; Cardinal McCloskey Home and School, White Plains, 1948-1952; St. Rose of Lima, Manhattan, 1953-1954; Thorpe Secretarial High School, Manhattan, 1954-1959; Cathedral High School, Manhattan, 1959-1968; St. Anthony, Yonkers, where she was principal, 1968-1972; and Rosary Academy, Sparkill, where she was assistant principal, 1972-1981. She also taught in the Diocese of Brooklyn, and was director of religious education at two parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark, N.J. She served her congregation in the financial services office, 1981-1983; archivist, 1990-2002; and special projects assistant, 2002-2004.

Sister Catherine Moran, O.P., formerly Sister Catherine William, entered from St. Edmund parish, Brooklyn. After teaching at St. Agnes Home and School, Sparkill, 1947-1948, she also taught at St. Martin of Tours, the Bronx, 1948-1952; Albertus Magnus High School, Bardonia, where she served as a principal, 1975-1983, and teacher, 1959-1962; and St. Vito's, Mamaroneck, where she was principal, 1962-1966. Sister Catherine taught in Queens and was assistant principal of Holy Trinity High School, Hicksville. She was the assistant superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Newark, 1983-1986, and human resources director of New Community Corporation, Newark, 1986-2006. She resides at Dominican Convent, Sparkill.

Sister Dorothy Russell, O.P., formerly known as Sister Alice Thomas, entered from Holy Spirit parish, the Bronx. She taught at St. Ignatius Day Nursery, Manhattan, 1947-1948; St. Catherine of Siena School, Manhattan, 1948-1952; St. Brendan School, the Bronx, 1952-1953; and St. John Chrysostom, the Bronx, 1953-1956. She served at schools in Brooklyn and Easton, Md. She was director of religious education at two parishes in the Diocese of St. Petersburg, Fla., for 33 years until returning to Dominican Convent, Sparkill, in 2010.

Sister Jeanne Margaret Stoltz, O.P., entered from Little Flower parish in St. Louis. Her first

teaching assignment was at St. Helena School, the Bronx, 1947-1949. She returned to St. Louis, where she taught and served as a librarian. She resides at Dominican Convent, Sparkill.

Sister Marie Louise Ruggeri, O.P., entered from St. James parish, St. Louis. She first served at St. Helena School, the Bronx, 1947-1949. She also taught and served as a volunteer at many schools in St. Louis from 1949 to 2018.

Sister Ann Matthew O'Shea, O.P., entered from St. Pius V parish, the Bronx. She was an educator for more than 60 years at the following schools in the archdiocese: Cardinal McCloskey Home and School, White Plains, 1947-1948; St. Rose of Lima, Manhattan, 1948-1952; St. Ann, the Bronx, 1952-1955; St. James, Carmel, 1955-1958; St. Pius X, Scarsdale, 1958-1967; and St. Helena Commercial High School, the Bronx, 1972-2002. She also taught at two schools in Queens. She was a receptionist at Dowling Gardens, Sparkill, 2008-2015. She resides in Dominican Convent.

60 Years

Sister Ellen Joseph Moore, O.P., entered from St. John's parish, Kingsbridge, the Bronx. In the archdiocese, she taught at Sacred Heart School, Suffern, 1962-1963; St. Brendan, the Bronx, 1963-1965; St. Anthony, Yonkers, 1965-1967; St. Vito, Mamaroneck, 1970-1972; assistant principal at Our Lady of Grace, the Bronx, 1972-1973; and principal at St. Columba, Chester, 1973-1980. She served as a pastoral minister at St. John the Evangelist parish, Saugerties, 1980-1982. She also provided pastoral care at a nursing home in St. Louis, and served in the Diocese of Rockville Centre as a longtime chaplain at Good Samaritan Hospital, West Islip, 1990-2018.

Sister Elizabeth McLaughlin, O.P., formerly Sister Grace Edward, entered from St. Mary's parish, Flushing. Her teaching assignments included St. Anthony School, Nanuet, 1962-1964; Albertus Magnus High School, Bardonia, 1968-1976; and Aquinas High School, the Bronx, 1976-2000 and 2002-2004. She served as pastoral minister at St. Benedict, the Bronx, 2004-2017, and at a parish in Great Falls/Billings, Mont., 2000-2002.

Sister Elizabeth Hasselt, O.P., formerly known as Sister Lawrence Marie, entered from St. Raymond parish, the Bronx. She served as executive director of Encore Community Services, Manhattan, 1997-2018. She was an educator at St. Agnes School, Sparkill, 1962-1963; St. Gregory Barbarigo, Garnerville, 1963-1964; St. Martin of Tours, the Bronx, 1964-1966; Aquinas High School, the Bronx, 1966-1969; Cathedral High School Annex, Manhattan, 1970-1973; and Msgr. Scanlan High School, the Bronx, 1973-1976. She also taught at Holy Trinity High School, Hicksville.

Sister Bernadette Nonnon, O.P., formerly Sister Bernadette Marie, entered from St. Helena parish, the Bronx. She served as an educator at Sacred Heart School, Suffern, 1962-1965; St. Columba, Chester, 1965-1970; Most Precious Blood, Walden, 1971-1972; and St. John Chrysostom, the

Bronx, 1974-1981. She also taught in Brooklyn and Queens. She served at Albert Einstein Hospital, the Bronx, 1983-1984, and Calvary Hospital, the Bronx, 1984-1988. She was director of nursing at Siena Hall, Sparkill, 1988-1999; school nurse at Aquinas High School, the Bronx, 2000-2001; and coordinator of health services for the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill since 2001.

Sister Maryann Summa, O.P., formerly Sister William Edith, entered from St. Brendan parish, the Bronx. She taught and served as administrator at St. Helena, the Bronx, 1962-1966; and St. Anthony, Nanuet, where she taught, 1971-1974, and served as principal, 1974-1988. She was an executive team member and treasurer of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill, 1988-1996, and was elected to serve as congregation president, 2000-2010. She was business manager of the Ursuline Sisters, 1996-2000. From 2010 to 2020, she served as assistant to the vice president for administration and finance at St. Thomas Aquinas College, Sparkill.

Sister Kathleen Gallagher, O.P., formerly known as Sister Patrick Edwin, entered from St. Joseph parish, the Bronx. Sister Kathleen was group mother at St. Agnes Home and School, Sparkill, 1962-1963. She taught at St. Rose of Lima, Manhattan, 1963-1965; St. Christopher, Red Hook, 1965-1967; and St. Joseph, the Bronx, 1969-1972. She served in health care as a psychologist and worked at New York Hospital, 1972-1973; Polly Miller Day Care Center as a family therapist, 1973-1974; ADAPP, 1974-1990; and since 1990 in mental health services.

Sister Elizabeth Graham, O.P., formerly Sister Matthew Ann, served for more than 55 years as an educator in the archdiocese at St. Agnes Home and School, Sparkill, 1962-1963; Sacred Heart, Suffern, 1963-1966; Most Precious Blood, Walden, 1966-1967; Thorpe Secretarial School, Manhattan, 1967-1971; and Cathedral High School, Manhattan, as a teacher, 1971-1986; assistant principal, 1986-1999; and principal, 1999-2008. She served as administrative assistant at three Manhattan schools: St. Brigid, 2008-2019; Our Lady of Pompeii, 2019-2020; and St. Joseph, 2020.

Sister Margaret Riordan, O.P., formerly known as Sister Rose Patrick, entered from St. Rose of Lima parish, Manhattan. She taught at St. Helena, the Bronx, 1962-1965; St. Catherine Laboure, Lake Katrine, 1971-1973; St. Paul, Valley Cottage, 1973-1974; St. Vito, Mamaroneck, 1974-1986; Holy Name, New Rochelle, 1988-1995; Visitation, the Bronx, 1995-1996; and Aquinas High School, the Bronx, 1996-2017.

Sister Mary Burke, O.P., formerly known as Sister Thomas Catherine, entered from Our Lady of Perpetual Help parish, Springfield Gardens, Queens. She taught at St. Gregory Barbarigo School, Garnerville, 1963-1964; Thorpe Secretarial High School, Manhattan, 1964-1966; and Msgr. Scanlan High School, the Bronx, 1972-1975. Sister Mary was retreat director at St. Francis Prep, Fresh Meadows, Queens, 1978-1988; coordinator of education at St. Rita Center, the Bronx, 1989-

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2003; and program director at Adult Learning Center, New Rochelle, 2003-2014.

Sister Maureen O'Toole, O.P., formerly Sister Brigid Edward, was born in County Galway, Ireland, and entered from Queen of Angels parish, Sunnyside, Queens. She taught at St. Rita School, the Bronx, 1962-1965; Mary Queen of Heaven, Brooklyn, 1965-1967; and St. Mark School, St. Louis, 1967-1969. In 1969, She volunteered for the sisters' Pakistan mission, where she has served in pastoral care, education and formation in Bahawalpur and Multan.

Sister Marilyn Fallert, O.P., formerly known as Sister Theresa Rose, entered from Presentation parish, St. Louis. She served in child care and teaching at Cardinal McCloskey Home and School, White Plains, 1962-1967. She also taught in St. Louis. Sister Marilyn served as an office assistant at a ministry to homeless and a home companion to the elderly. She was a receptionist for the Franciscan Sisters of Mary, 2000-2011.

Sister Catherine Naughton, O.P., formerly Sister Mary James, entered from St. Margaret of Cortona parish, the Bronx. She taught at St. Agnes Home and School, Sparkill, 1962-1963; St. Anthony's, the Bronx, 1963-1965; and St. Rose of Lima, Manhattan, 1968-1972. She also taught at two schools in St. Louis, and served as the director of religious education at a parish in Brooklyn. She was chaplain at Lutheran Medical Center, Brooklyn, 1984-1985, and Elmhurst Hospital, 1985-1995. From 1995 to 2000, she was a staff member at Dowling Gardens, Sparkill, 1995-2000, and director of senior outreach at St. Brendan, the Bronx, 2003-2014.

50 Years

Sister Margo Saich, O.P., entered from St. Anthony's parish, Yonkers. She taught at St. Christopher's School, Red Hook, 1970-1971; St. Augustine, New City, 1972-1974 and 1976-1981; St. Augustine, Larchmont, 1973-1974; and St. John Chrysostom, the Bronx, 1981-1984. She was director of Thorpe Senior Center, Sparkill, 1974-1976; did pastoral ministry at St. Peter's,

Yonkers, 1984-1991, and Our Lady of Lourdes, Manhattan, 1995-1996; was administrator of St. Joseph Villa, Saugerties, 1991-1995; and facilities manager of Dowling Gardens, Sparkill, 1996-2016. She is the administrator of Dominican Convent, Sparkill. In recognition of Sister Margo's dedication to the charitable and social mission of Catholic Charities, Cardinal Dolan presented her with the Faithful Servant Award in 2015.

25 Years

Sister Catherine Bashir, O.P., was born in Francisabad, Pakistan. She entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill in Bahawalpur, Pakistan, in 1995. Her commitment to the mission of the Dominican Sisters in education is evidenced in her service as teacher and principal of the Dominican Study Center, Bahawalpur and Loretto.

65 Years

Sister James Louise Downey, O.P.
Sister Carolyn Wolfbauer, O.P.
Sister Dolores Fischer, O.P.
Sister John Rose Hartling, O.P.
Sister Margaret Strychalski, O.P.
Sister Martha Marie Jaegers, O.P.
Sister Joan O'Connor, O.P.
Sister Stephen Gerard Miick, O.P.
Sister Jeanne Armeno, O.P.

70 Years

Sister Dorothy Farley, O.P.
Sister Margaret Rita Bergin, O.P.
Sister Patricia Neary, O.P.
Sister Anne Tahaney, O.P.
Sister Florence Flynn, O.P.
Sister Bridget Kiniry, O.P.
Sister Rose Patrice Sasso, O.P.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF HOPE

75 Years

Sister Sylvia Bielen, O.P., entered the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She taught art classes at Mount St. Mary College, Newburgh, 1975-2009, and also taught at Bishop Dunn Memorial School, Newburgh, 1955-1963. She has given

lectures and workshops in spirituality and art at The Center at Mariandale in Ossining, Linwood Spirituality Center in Rhinebeck and the Desmond Campus Extension in Newburgh.

Sister Frances Irene Fair, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She was the director of special education and director of development at Bishop Dunn Memorial School, Newburgh, where she also taught children with learning disabilities, 1970-1992. She was a principal/teacher at SS. John and Paul School, Larchmont, 1969-70, and volunteer religious education teacher at St. Patrick's, Newburgh, 1970-2000. In the 1980s, she received the Teacher of the Year Award for Special Education.

60 Years

Sister Donna Brunell, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Fall River, Mass. She served as a teacher, development director, archivist and member of the Fall River leadership team. She was communications coordinator for the Dominican Sisters Collaboration, 1992-1995. She was director of communications for the Dominican Sisters of Hope, 1995-2010. Sister Donna was co-founder of the Dominican Communicators Network, and served six years on the board of the National Communicators Network for Women Religious. In 2011, she began the Hands for Hope Ministry at The Center at Mariandale in Ossining where she served as a quilt maker, crafter, teacher and hostess.

Sister Arleen Crimmins, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She taught at Bishop Dunn Memorial School, Newburgh, 1960-1961, and was assistant for retirement for the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh, 1983-1988. She has served as a retreat director and pastoral associate.

Sister Margaret Devlin, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She was executive secretary for the Dominican Sisters in Newburgh, 1962-1971, and formation coordinator, 1969-1971. She served as a teacher, pastoral minister, assistant superintendent of school religious education for the Diocese of Camden, N.J., 1979-1990, and associate vicar for religious in the Diocese of Camden, 1982-1990.



She has also started a parish MOPS (mothers of preschoolers) group, a parish Helping Hands Program and a parish food pantry.

Sister Linda Rivers, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Fall River, Mass. She taught at a school in Plattsburgh, 1967-1972, among other schools. She served as a prison minister at the Riverhead correctional facility on Long Island. She was minister of hospitality at Siena Spirituality Center, Water Mill, 1998-2004. Since 2004, she has been secretary/registrar and music minister at The Center at Mariandale, Ossining. She did prison ministry in Ossining at the Taconic correctional facility, 2005-2014.

Sister Maryann Ronneburger, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She earned her master's degree from Fordham University. Sister Maryann taught throughout New Jersey and was a pastoral associate in Jersey City. She served on the leadership team of the Dominican Sisters of Hope, 2009-2014.

Sister Mary Schneiders, O.P., entered the novitiate of the Dominican Sisters of Newburgh. She taught briefly at St. Mary's School, Poughkeepsie, 1964, before being missioned as a teacher at Academia San Jose Elementary School, Guaynabo, Puerto Rico, 1965-67. She also taught in New Jersey and Connecticut. Sister Mary was an assistant professor at Mount St. Mary College, Newburgh, 1981-1993. She did spiritual and renewal ministry in Pittsfield, N.H., 1993-2020.

Sister Joan Boyle, O.P.

70 Years

Sister Patricia Flynn, O.P.

Sister Margaret Mary Rottinghaus, O.P.

40 Years

Sister Diane Trotta, O.P.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF BLAUVELT

60 Years

Sister Cecelia Byrnes, O.P., formerly Sister Luke, was born in the Bronx and entered from St. Benedict's parish. She taught at Holy Cross School, Manhattan, 1967-1969; and in the Bronx at St. Nicholas of Tolentine, 1969-1971; Christ the King, 1971-1973; and St. Nicholas of Tolentine High School, 1978-1983. She also taught in Oceanside and Florida. She served as administrator of St. Dominic's Convent, Blauvelt, 1983-1988. She was a parent trainer for TORCH at St. Dominic's Home, 1994-2000. She is assistant director of Siena House, the Bronx.

Sister Bernadette de Lourdes Burke, O.P., formerly Patricia Mary Burke, was born in the Bronx and entered from St. Pius V parish in the Bronx. She taught in the Bronx at St. Luke's School, 1964-1971; St. Benedict's, 1973-1976; and St. John Chrysostom, 1999-2000, and at St. Martin de Porres, Poughkeepsie, 1972-1973. She also taught in New Jersey, Florida and Jamaica, West Indies. She is special projects coordinator

at Dominican College.

Sister Maureen Gibbons, O.P., formerly Sister John Therese, was born in New York City and entered from St. Pius V parish in the Bronx. She taught in the Bronx at St. Mary Star of the Sea, City Island, 1964-1965, and Holy Spirit, 1972-1979; and at Annunciation, 1979-1982. She also taught in New Jersey. She was director and cook at St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen, Manhattan, 1982-1986; administrative assistant and parish manager at St. Malachy's parish, Manhattan, 1987-2002, and secretary/bookkeeper at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the Bronx, 2002-2009. She is business manager at Siena House in the Bronx.

Sister Alice Kirk, O.P., formerly Sister Mary Jonathan, was born in New York City and entered from St. Luke's parish in the Bronx. She taught at Holy Cross School, Manhattan, 1964-1969, and SS. Philip and James, the Bronx, 1970-1971. She was an instructor of education at Dominican College, Orangeburg, 1981-1996. She became the director of staff development in technology for the archdiocese, 1998-2012, and is now director of student information services.

Sister Mary Patricia Malone, O.P., formerly Sister Arthur Mary, was born in the Bronx and entered from St. Luke's parish. She taught at St. Luke's School, the Bronx, 1969-1971, and in Oceanside and Florida. She served as director of adult education for the archdiocese, 1971-1974. She was principal of St. Nicholas of Tolentine School, 1974-1977, and St. Benedict, 1981-1984, both in the Bronx. She was formation director for her congregation, 1977-1981, and parish minister at Our Lady of Good Counsel, Manhattan, 1984-1988. At St. Dominic's Home, she was a social worker, 1988-1997, and supervisor of residential services, 1997-1999. She served the Blauvelt Dominicans as a councilor, 1999-2005, and president, 2005-2011. She was executive director of Marian Woods in Hartsdale, 2011-2015. She resides at St. Dominic's Convent, Blauvelt.

Sister Joan Smith, O.P., formerly Sister Catherine Joseph, is a Bronx native who entered from St. Pius V parish. She taught at St. Dominic's School, Blauvelt, 1970-1973 and 1977-1981; St. Dominic's Home (Loring Place Group Home), 1973-1977; Christ the King School, the Bronx, 1973-1977; and Holy Trinity and St. Vito schools, Mamaroneck, 1981-1985. She was director of communications at St. Dominic's Convent, Blauvelt, 1989-1997 and 2013-2015, and director of communications, Dominican Convent, Sparkill, 1997-2013. She is a graphic artist at the motherhouse in Blauvelt.

Sister Bridget Mary Troy, O.P., born in County Tipperary, Ireland, entered from St. Thomas Aquinas parish in the Bronx. She served as group mother, St. Dominic's Home, 1962-1974; unit supervisor/group home, St. Dominic's Home, 1974-1978; and taught in the Bronx at St. Pius V School, 1978-1983, and St. John Chrysostom, 1995. At St. Dominic's Convent, she served as personnel director, 1987-1994; infirmary administrator, 2001-2004; and gift shop manager and sacristan, 2009-2012. In Northern Ireland, she was direc-

tor of a family learning center, 1996-2001, and worked in development and as convent sacristan at a family center in Derry, 2004-2009. She volunteers in community services.

70 Years

Sister Madeleine Mc Gill, O.P.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF HAWTHORNE

25 Years

Sister Alma Marie Borja, O.P., entered the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne in 1993 and professed first vows in 1995. Born in the Philippines, she has served at Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, 1995-2014, and as novice mistress, 2005-2014. She was a general councilor for the congregation, 2012-2016.

Sister Mary Margaret Miller, O.P., entered the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne as a registered nurse in 1993 and professed first vows in 1995. The native of Louisville, Ky., served at Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, 1995-2002, and St. Rose's Home, Manhattan, 2006-2009. She is currently at Rosary Hill Home.

Sister Mae Ku, O.P., entered the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne as a registered nurse in 1993 and professed first vows in 1995. Born in Calcutta, India, Sister Mae served at St. Rose's Home, Manhattan, and Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, for a total of 13 years. She is director of nurses at Rosary Hill Home.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SINSINAWA

60 Years

Sister Bernadine Karge, O.P., a native of Chicago, taught at Our Lady of Mercy School, the Bronx, 1970-1973, and in Chicago and Wisconsin. In the archdiocese, she volunteered at the United Nations for the Dominican Sisters Conference, 2002-2003, and served as co-director of the Intercommunity Center for Justice and Peace, Manhattan, 2003-2004. In Chicago, she served many years as an immigration attorney, and as promoter of peace and justice for the Sinsinawa Dominicans, 1995-1997. She also served in Washington, D.C., and more recently in Trinidad and Tobago, 2004-2005.

70 Years

Sister Joan O'Shea, O.P.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF NEW YORK

75 Years

Sister Ellen Quirke, S.C., formerly Sister Ellen Marie, was an educator before spending nearly 30 years as a certified social worker. She served at St. Margaret of Cortona, the Bronx, 1947-1955. She taught at Holy Name, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Agnes, all in Manhattan. She was principal at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Manhattan, 1961-1964; and directed the congregation's Juniorate at Mount St. Vincent, the Bronx, 1964-1969. She did social work at St. Joseph's Hospital, Yonkers, 1972-1975, and St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center, Manhattan, 1976-1994.

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Sister Eileen Fagan, S.C., formerly Sister Maureen Michael, is an associate professor and chair of religious studies at the College of Mount St. Vincent, the Bronx, where she began as a visiting assistant professor in 2001. She taught elementary grades at Sacred Heart, 1963-1966 and St. Mary, Rosebank, 1966-1967, both Staten Island, and St. Barnabas, the Bronx, 1967-1977, where she also served in administration, 1978-1981. She was a high school teacher at Cardinal Spellman, the Bronx, 1977-1978; Archbishop Stepinac, White Plains, 1981-1988; Maria Regina, Hartsdale, 1988-1989; and St. Raymond (Boys), the Bronx, 1989-1990. She was director of the high school and college transition program at Elizabeth Seton-Iona College, 1990-1993, then assistant director of the bridge program at Iona College, 1993-2001.

Sister Maria Iglesias, S.C., formerly Sister Teresita Maria, serves as director of pastoral care at Elizabeth Seton Children's Center, Yonkers. She taught at St. Brigid, Manhattan, 1963-1965; Our Lady Star of the Sea, Staten Island, 1965-1967; and SS. Peter and Paul, the Bronx, 1967-1973. She was a pastoral worker at St. Athanasius, the Bronx; national coordinator for Las Hermanas; assistant director of the archdiocesan Hispanic Apostolate Office; and director of volunteers at Lincoln Hospital and administrator of the Family Care Center, Segundo Ruiz Belvis, both in the Bronx. From 2007 to 2012, she was vocation director in New York and Guatemala.

Sister Frances T. Keegan, S.C., formerly Sister Marie Charles, taught for 54 years. In Manhattan, her missions included Blessed Sacrament, 1963-1967, and St. Brigid, 1971-1981. In the Bronx, she taught at St. Barnabas High School, 1981-1991, and Visitation, 2007-2017, where she also served as a catechist, 1997-2015. In White Plains, she taught at St. John the Evangelist, 1967-1971. Sister Frances taught catechism at St. Joseph, Yonkers, 1985-2007, where she also served as youth minister, 1981-1995. She volunteers at Kittay Senior Apartments, the Bronx.

Sister Nancy Kellar, S.C., formerly Sister Miriam Elizabeth, has worked in evangelization and spiritual renewal since 1971, traveling to 65 countries to proclaim the Good News. In 1975, she was a founding member of St. Elizabeth Seton House of Prayer, Scarsdale, and she served as coordinator of the Charismatic Renewal for the archdiocese, 1974-1992. In 1996, Sister Nancy became the first woman elected director of International Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services in Rome. She was a teacher at St. Anthony's School, the Bronx, 1963-1967; Cathedral High School, Manhattan, 1967-1971; and Resurrection School, Rye, 1975-1976.

Sister Florence Mallon, S.C., formerly Sister Dolores Catherine, is a pastoral associate for special ministries at St. Joseph Church, Bronxville.

From 2000 to 2013, she worked for St. Joseph's as the associate chaplain at Lawrence Hospital, Bronxville. She served as chaplain at St. Joseph Hospital, Yonkers, 1974-1991, where she also had been a pastoral care associate and held several nursing positions, including head nurse, 1964-1972. Sister Florence was home health care coordinator and nurse at St. Joseph Medical Center Nursing Home, Yonkers, 1991-1999.

Sister Terese McElroy S.C., formerly Sister Brendan Maureen, is co-director of the Sister of Charity Multi-Service Center (Casa de Esperanza) in Yonkers. She taught at St. Barnabas, the Bronx, 1963-1965 and 1989-1992; and St. Dominic, the Bronx, 1992-1997; Elizabeth Seton Academy, 1965-1971, and St. Joseph, 1986-1988, both in Yonkers; and in Manhattan at Sacred Heart, 1971-1984, and Incarnation, 1984-1986. From 1997 to 2004, she was director of Grace Institute Outreach, the Bronx, where she taught GED classes.

Sister Marie Morris, S.C., formerly Sister Bernadette Maria, serves as quality assurance leader at Elizabeth Seton Children's School, Yonkers. In Manhattan, she taught at Epiphany School, 1963-1965, and Sacred Heart, 1966-1970. In the Bronx she served at St. Anthony, 1965-1966, and St. Margaret, 1970-1971 and 1973-1984. From 1984 to 1987 she taught in the Teacher Preparation Department at the College of Mount St. Vincent, the Bronx. She was principal of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Pelham Manor, 1987-2004. She served as assistant superintendent of special education for the archdiocese, 2004-2010.

Sister Patricia Noone, S.C., formerly Sis-

ter Maura Catherine, most recently served as professor emerita of English at the College of Mount St. Vincent, the Bronx, where she taught since 1964. Sister Patricia began as an instructor at the college, earning the rank of full professor in 1993. She also served as chair of the English Department. She served as chairperson of the congregation history committee, 2013-2018, and is editing an updated version of the congregation's history book.

Sister Margaret M. O'Brien, S.C., formerly Sister Mary Elizabeth, serves on the leadership team as councilor and treasurer. She served as regional coordinator and assistant to the president. Sister Margaret taught at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Scarsdale, 1963-1967; was teacher and librarian at St. Brigid, Manhattan, 1967-1978; administrator at St. Joseph School, Yonkers, 1978-1985; and principal at St. Paul, Manhattan, 1985-1987. From 1999 to 2003, she was senior vice president for mission at Sisters of Charity Healthcare, Staten Island.

Sister Anna Roche, S.C., formerly Sister Dolores John, has served as an educator in Orange County for almost three decades. Her first position there was St. Joseph School, Florida, 1981-1989. She is now a teacher/director of the Garden of the Child in Warwick. Sister Anna began her teaching career in the Bronx at St. Gabriel, 1963-1965; St. Barnabas, 1967-1971; and Nativity of Our Blessed Lady, 1971-1981. She hosts a radio program for students on Saturdays on WTBQ 1110 AM radio in Orange County.

Sister Carol Ruf, S.C., formerly Sister Mary

Surrendering Anew My 'Yes' to Jesus

BY SISTER ALMA MARIE BORJA, O.P.



This year in the midst of uncertainty in the world, I celebrate 25 years in religious life. My heart is overwhelmed with gratitude and joy for the gift of the grace of my vocation. In Our Lord's faithful love, He chose me to be His own and sustained and strengthened me through these years as He called me to my Community of the Dominicans Sisters of Hawthorne in loving service of the cancerous poor.

I am blessed to live out this vocation with my Sisters with whom I share the same Divine calling to love and be loved. Our religious life flows from the love of Jesus on the Cross and we become one in Him in His Eucharistic love,

the source and summit of our life. As Dominicans, we seek the face of Jesus in contemplation and share the fruits with others as a witness of His love, especially with those whom we serve.

Our foundress, Mother Mary Alphonsa, calls us to be at the foot of the Cross with Mary as we share the cross of "Christ's poor" with our patients who carry the cross of incurable cancer. During this pandemic, we have been called to truly become their family, especially when their families are unable to see them as often. As we care for them and make them comfortable and happy, we pray for them and spend our lives showing them God's infinite love and mercy.

During the jubilee Mass with my sisters, when I renewed my profession of vows, I surrendered anew my "yes" to Jesus with joy and faith in His merciful love. I offered myself to His loving will for me and to remain in His love. Our Lord has always been there for me and with me. With His grace, I pray that I may be faithful to the end for His praise and glory. As Father says in his homily, "Jesus has chosen you to be His bride, so closely united to Him that He promises 'whatever you ask the Father in my name He will give you.'...And the deeper your love for God grows, the easier it becomes to place full confidence in His will for you, for your Community, for the Church and for the world."

Sister Alma Marie Borja, O.P., is marking her 25th anniversary with the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne.

Kenneth, most recently served at Our Lady of Pompeii School, Manhattan, 2014-2020. Also in Manhattan, she taught at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, 1971-1975; St. Patrick's Old Cathedral, 1975-1977 and 1996-1997; Sacred Heart, 1983-1989; and Blessed Sacrament, 1989-1996. She also taught at Visitation, the Bronx, 1963-1967; and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Shrub Oak, 1977-1983. She also taught at SS. Peter and Paul, the Bronx, 1997-2011, and Nazareth Montessori Nursery, Manhattan, 2011-2014.

Sister Virginia Searing, S.C., formerly Sister Kevin Maria, is the executive director of the Sister Barbara Ford Peace Building Center in Quiché, Guatemala. She has served in Guatemala since 1995 when she was appointed co-coordinator of the program of community mental health in the Diocese of Quiché, and also served as coordinator of peace/reconciliation there. She taught at St. Barnabas, 1964-1971, and Nativity of Our Blessed Lady, 1971-1981, both in the Bronx. She served as teacher and religious education coordinator at St. Joseph, Florida, 1981-1994.

Sister Mary Tommasino, S.C., formerly Sister Marie Raphael, is active in the Elizabeth Seton House of Prayer, Scarsdale. She was assistant to the superior at St. Joseph by-the-Sea, Staten Island, 1965-1969, and a childcare worker at New York Foundling, Manhattan, 1970-1976. She taught at Sacred Heart, Hartsdale, 1980-1989, and was principal of Ark and the Dove Pre-school at St. Denis, Hopewell Junction, 1998-2002. She was education director of the archdiocese's Head Start Program, 2002-2006, and deputy director, 2006-2010.

70 Years

Sister Jeanne Delaney, S.C.
Sister Mary Donagher, S.C.
Sister Mary Thérèse Hannaway, S.C.
Sister Mary A. Jordan, S.C.
Sister Aileen Kelly, S.C.
Sister Anita Miriam Lavelle, S.C.
Sister Rita Nowatzki, S.C.
Sister Mary O'Brien, S.C.
Sister Rosemary Petrucelli, S.C.
Sister T. Marie Tolle, S.C.
Sister Kathleen Tracey, S.C.
Sister Alice Joan Ward, S.C.

65 Years

Sister Helen Bryant, S.C.
Sister Margaret Ellen Burke, S.C.
Sister Kathleen Fitzgerald, S.C.
Sister Kathleen Gilmartin, S.C.
Sister Doris Heinlein, S.C.
Sister A. Jean Iannone, S.C.
Sister Constance Kelly, S.C.
Sister Eileen T. Kelly, S.C.
Sister Kathryn McDermott, S.C.
Sister Patricia Morgan, S.C.
Sister Sheila Normoyle, S.C.
Sister Mary Sugrue, S.C.
Sister Kathleen Sullivan, S.C.
Sister Catherine Walsh, S.C.

MARYKNOLL SISTERS

75 Years

Sister Gloria Ryan, M.M., served in the Philippines for more than 20 years before returning to Maryknoll Sisters Center, Ossining, to work in the direct mail department. She assists the Franciscan Sisters in helping troubled girls in New York City. The Brooklyn native worked at St. Brigid's parish in Westbury, Long Island, for six years helping Salvadoran refugees. She retired to Maryknoll Sisters Center in 2000.

Sister Kathryn Shannon, M.M., a native of Oconomowoc, Wis., served in Hawaii, Tanzania and Zimbabwe before returning to the Maryknoll Sisters Center, Ossining, in 1991 to focus on peace and justice work while working in the hospitality department. Sister Kathryn resides at Maryknoll.

Sister Louise Bullis, M.M., a Brooklyn native, served in Hawaii as a teacher, adult education coordinator in the Honolulu Diocese, and a pastoral associate at a parish. She retired to Maryknoll Sisters Center in 2007.

Sister Marie Morgan, M.M., was a pharmacist at Queen of the World Hospital in Kansas City, Mo., for 12 years and established the first fully racially integrated hospital in that city. The Pittsburgh native also served in El Salvador, Guatemala and Mexico. She retired to Maryknoll Sisters Center in 2011.

Sister Mary Aulson, M.M., was assigned to Bolivia to serve in catechetical, teaching and pastoral ministries. The native of Salem, Mass., also served in California and Peru before retiring in 2018 to Maryknoll Sisters Center, where she volunteers.

Sister Noel Devine, M.M., a native of Philadelphia, taught eighth grade at St. Theresa's School in Chicago and returned to the school and parish as religion coordinator in 1983 after serving in Hong Kong. She retired to Maryknoll Sisters Center in 2006.

60 Years

Sister Patricia Ann Arathuzik, M.M., served in various ministries over 18 years in Korea, and in the public health field assisted refugees for three years in Cambodia. She was at the Maryknoll Sisters Center as data processing manager and secretary to the leadership team. She resides at the Maryknoll Sisters Retirement Community in Monrovia, Calif.

Sister Eileen Schwenk, M.M., served the sick and the poor in the Philippines for many years. The Kingston native is using her nursing and counseling experience to help friends and neighbors.

Sister Louise Elling, M.M., was assigned in 1996 to work in parishes in California as director of religious education, coordinator of youth and mission outreach programs and pastoral assistant. The New York City native returned to Taiwan in 2008 and serves in Hong Kong.

Sister Maureen Meyer, M.M., served in the United States as part of the Maryknoll promotion team and education ministry. She was

assigned to Tanzania, where she taught in a secondary school in Morogoro and co-authored a book called "Wisdom for Changing Times." She assisted with retreats and workshops. The Milwaukee native is now at Emusoi Center in Arusha, Tanzania, where she teaches English as a second language.

Sister Nenita Tapia, M.M., a native of Manila, the Philippines, served in Bolivia, Indonesia, the Philippines and at Maryknoll. She is currently on mission in Vurgos, Philippines, conducting Bible study seminars, helping with vocation promotion and volunteering at the Baguio Maryknoll Ecological Sanctuary.

Sister Anne Marie Kiley, M.M., entered the Maryknoll Sisters after working in the advertising department at Newsday for eight years. The native of Newark, N.J., was assigned to Bolivia to serve in various roles. She retired to Maryknoll Sisters Center in 2012.

Sister Eugenia Lorio, M.M., a native of New Orleans, served in New York, Arizona, Guatemala and Mexico. Now retired, she resides at Maryknoll Sisters Center.

Sister Joseph Lourdes Nubla, M.M., served in the medical field and administration in Hong Kong for 54 years. She worked in Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital there as supervisor of the purchasing department and director of the fundraising department. In 2018, she retired to the sisters' center in Monrovia, Calif.

Sister Julia Klubista, M.M., a native of Rochester, served in Minnesota, Tanzania and Maryknoll. She retired in 2015 and resides in RayTown, Mo.

Sister Lelia Mattingly, M.M., a native of Owensboro, Ky., served with Borderlinks, a group working on immigration issues at the border in Arizona. Sister Lelia is on mission in the Western U.S. region doing justice and peace work with indigenous people.

Sister Luise Ahrens, M.M., a native of Detroit, taught at Maryknoll and in Hawaii. She served for six years as president of the Maryknoll Sisters before serving 25 years in Cambodia. She returned to Maryknoll to work in the personnel department's education office. She resides at Maryknoll assisting the elderly sisters.

Sister Margarita Jamias, M.M., a native of Masinloc, Zambales, Philippines, served in Nicaragua and the Philippines Region. In 2013, Sister Margarita was assigned to Maryknoll Sisters Center as mailroom supervisor. She is also a member of the education and environment committees.

Sister Martha Bourne, M.M., a native of Charlestown, Ind., was an elementary school teacher in Chicago and later served six years as manager of the Maryknoll Sisters communication and public relations office. She was in Hong Kong for 10 years before retiring in 1994 to Maryknoll where she remains an active volunteer.

Sister Maura Flaherty, M.M., was assigned to Guatemala for many years as a teacher, cat-

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echist and ministered to children in need. The Woburn, Mass., native also served in Kansas and El Salvador, and in various roles at the Maryknoll Sisters Center, where she has resided in retirement since 2007.

Sister Michelle Reynolds, M.M., a native of Lynn, Mass., received her first overseas mission to Hong Kong in 1972 and served for the past 16 years in pastoral ministry at a parish in Tin Shui Wai.

Sister Nancy Connor, M.M., a native of Philadelphia, was assigned to Bolivia to teach religion. She studied to be a nurse's assistant and did health promotion for two years on the Bolivia-Peru-Chile border. In 2016, Sister Nancy returned to Maryknoll Sisters Center, where she volunteers caring for the elderly sisters.

Sister Susan Baldus, M.M., a native of Milwaukee, served 36 years in Korea where she taught English and developed a full-scale rehabilitation department at Maryknoll Hospital. Sister Susan returned to the Maryknoll Sisters Center to do congregational service and now serves in the treasury department.

25 Years

Sister Marvelous (Marvie) Misolas, M.M., a native of Albay, Philippines, was first assigned to Taichung Diocese in Taiwan. In 2014, she was assigned to work in the Philippines, focusing on climate related issues. Sister Marvie is now missioned in Maryknoll as NGO Representative of the Maryknoll Sisters to the United Nations, part of the Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns team until 2021.

Sister Chiyong Pak, M.M., a member of a Buddhist family in Korea, became a Roman Catholic at the age of 12 and entered the congregation in 1995. In 1999, she was assigned to Zimbabwe where she assisted students with their studies and taught martial arts to street children to aid their self-esteem and self-discipline. She later rented part of an elementary school to welcome more than 1,000 children who were living in extreme poverty and without regular schooling.

70 Years

Sister Dolores Congdon, M.M.
Sister Jessie Poynton, M.M.
Sister Mary Ellen Manz, M.M.
Sister Patricia Conroy, M.M.
Sister Patricia Ring, M.M.
Sister Roseann Hanley, M.M.
Sister Anne Reusch, M.M.
Sister Jean Maloney, M.M.
Sister Margaret Kilduff, M.M.
Sister Margaret Smith, M.M.
Sister Marie May, M.M.
Sister Patricia Redmond, M.M.
Sister Rose Lauren Earl, M.M.

SISTERS OF ST. AGNES

80 Years

Sister Dolores Taddy, C.S.A., has served among many cultures as a teacher, catechist, social worker and missionary in the United States, Ecuador, Nicaragua and Honduras. She taught at Holy Family School, the Bronx, 1964-1966, and Our Lady Queen of Angels School, East Harlem, 1953-1954.

60 Years

Sister Kathleen Ries, C.S.A., has served as a principal, teacher, bookkeeper, minister of hospitality, in church-based community organizing and in community service. She served at the Leo House in Manhattan as minister of hospitality, 2007-2015 and as bookkeeper, 2006-2007. She was principal at Holy Family School, the Bronx, 1981-1988, and taught at Sacred Heart School, Yonkers, 1970-1974. She was the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes liaison to UNANIMA International in Manhattan, 2009-2012.

Sister Julia Wiegerling, C.S.A., has served as a principal, teacher, staff chaplain, in congregational leadership and in assisting the elderly and sick elderly and their families. She aided terminally ill cancer patients at Calvary Hospital, the Bronx, 1989-1990, and taught at Sacred Heart School, Yonkers, 1963-1964. She also served as general councilor of the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes in Fond du Lac, Wis., 2001-2009, and regional coordinator, 1994-2001.

50 Years

Sister Jean Andrewjeski, C.S.A., has served as a teacher, director of religious education, pastoral associate and as a resident assistant for assisted living residents and persons with dementia. She taught fifth grade at Holy Family School, the Bronx, 1980-1985.

Sister Patricia Bogenschuetz, C.S.A., has served as a principal, associate principal, teacher, development director and in congregational leadership. She was principal of Sacred Heart School in Yonkers, 1982-1984. She has also served as regional coordinator of the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes in Milwaukee, 1992-2002.

Sister Joann Sams, C.S.A., has served as an administrator, teacher, director of religious education, pastoral associate and in leadership in her congregation. She was administrator of The Dwelling Place, Manhattan, from 2014 until July and a teacher at Sacred Heart School, Yonkers, 1976-1982. She also served as general superior of the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes in Fond du Lac, Wis., 2005-2013, as general councilor, 2001-2005 and currently as local coordinator.

Sister Deborah Walter, C.S.A., has served as a teacher, pastoral associate, director of student life, psychotherapist, counselor for working family grant recipients and in leadership in her congregation. She taught first grade at Holy Family School, the Bronx, 1975-1978. She has also served the Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes in Fond du Lac, Wis., as general councilor, in vocation/formation ministry and as director of development, 1993-2001.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

75 Years

Sister Xavier Hayden, M.S.C., a native of New Orleans, taught kindergarten and elementary school in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Louisiana and California. She was a librarian at Cabrini High School in New Orleans. Now retired, she resides at St. Cabrini Nursing Home, Dobbs Ferry.

Sister Stephanie Kabacinski, M.S.C., a native of New York City, taught elementary school in New York and Pennsylvania. She served as hospital chaplain and receptionist at Cabrini Medical Center in Manhattan and at a medical center in Pennsylvania. She resides at St. Cabrini Nursing Home.

60 Years

Sister Aloysia Morelli, M.S.C., a native of Seattle, served as a registered nurse and administrator of Cabrini facilities in New York, Pennsylvania and Washington state. She was administrator of Felician Infirmary in New Jersey. She is administrator of Sacred Heart Center for New Americans in West Park.

Sister James Skane, M.S.C., a native of Philadelphia, served at Cabrini hospitals in New York City and Seattle in admissions, vice president of administration, hospice director, outreach to the elderly and domestic violence center. She taught preschool in Pennsylvania. She volunteers at Cabrini Mission Foundation and Cabrini Immigrant Services, both in Manhattan.

50 Years

Sister Yolanda Flores, M.S.C., a native of Managua, Nicaragua, was a principal and teachers at elementary and high schools in Diriamba and Managua. She served in a project against domestic violence in Guatemala, and was a translator for her congregation's generalate and province. She serves at Cabrini Immigrant Services in Manhattan.

40 Years

Sister Diane Olmstead, M.S.C.

SISTERS OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

60 Years

Sister Lois Darold, C.S.JB., born in the Bronx, served as associate vicar of education for the Archdiocese of New York, 1992-1994. She taught at St. John Villa High School on Staten Island, 1966-1970, 1972-1975, and was principal there, 1975-1992. She earlier taught at two schools in New Jersey. She served as provincial councilor, 1970-1973, 1978-1984; chapter delegate in Rome, 1972-1984; director of formation, 1970-1975; and director of development and fundraising, 1994-2006.

50 Years

Sister Madeleine Werner, C.S.JB., a native of the Bronx, taught at St. James School, Manhattan, 1974-1979; and St. Dominic's School, the Bronx, 1979-1987, where she served as principal,

1999-2003. Sister Madeleine also served at St. John Villa Elementary School, Staten Island, 1987-1988; St. Roch School, Staten Island, 1988-1995; and St. John Villa High School, Staten Island, 2003-2012, where she taught and served as assistant dean of students. She was also a pastoral associate at St. Christopher and St. Margaret parish on Staten Island.

65 Years

Sister Marian Francis Ferreri, C.S.JB.

Sister Mary Agnes Tracy, C.S.JB.

40 Years

Sister Anece Joseph Arampadathil, C.S.JB.

SISTERS OF THE PRESENTATION OF NEW WINDSOR

75 Years

Sister Grace Gately, P.B.V.M., formerly Sister Mary Vincent, taught in Catholic elementary and high schools in the archdiocese at Our Lady of Solace, the Bronx; St. Michael's Academy, Manhattan; St. John's, Goshen; Mount St. Joseph, New Windsor; and St. Bartholomew, Yonkers. She taught religious education in parishes and as coordinator in the Diocese of Brooklyn and in Florida and New Jersey. She served those in need and the homeless as a volunteer at Newburgh Ministry. She is retired at Mount St. Joseph, New Windsor.

Sister Marie Sullivan, P.B.V.M., formerly Sister Mary Mercita, was a teacher in Catholic schools in Massachusetts and Rhode Island and a school librarian and music teacher in schools staffed by the Presentation Sisters. She served at Red Cloud High School on a reservation in South Dakota. In retirement, she has helped prepare children for the sacraments and served as a literacy instructor. She resides in Framingham, Mass.

70 Years

Sister Noreen Perelli, P.B.V.M.

Sister Sarah Ryan, P.B.V.M.

CARMELITE SISTERS FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM

60 Years

Sister M. Patricia Treasa O'Callaghan, O.Carm., is a native New Yorker who has served in the archdiocese at Mary Manning Walsh Home, Manhattan, 1970-1984; Ferncliff Nursing Home, Rhinebeck, 1984-1987; and Carmel Richmond Health Care and Rehabilitation Center, Staten Island, since 2009. Sister Treasa's current ministry is one of prayer and sacrifice.

CARMELITE NUNS, DISCALCED

60 Years

Sister Ellen Mary Looby, O.C.D., professed her vows on Oct. 15, 1960, in Carmel of Saranac Lake. Sister Ellen moved to Beacon in 2000 when her community and that of the Carmel in Barre, Vt., joined with the Carmel in Beacon to form the Carmel of the Incarnation.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF ALLEGANY

70 Years

Sister Margaret McManus, O.S.F.

Sister Catherine Moran, O.S.F.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE ATONEMENT (GRAYMOOR)

50 Years

Sister Joan Margaret Ryan, S.A., a native of Malone, entered the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement in 1970 and professed vows in 1973. She served as a registered nurse, specializing in gerontology. For 29 years, she served in health care positions throughout the archdiocese, mostly as a visiting nurse through the Department of Health in Westchester County.

SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

70 Years

Sister Angela Palermo, R.C.D.

CONGREGATION OF NOTRE DAME

50 Years

Sister Margaret (Peggy) Doyle, C.N.D., taught English at two Catholic high schools in Connecticut, 1967-1971, and at Notre Dame Academy, Staten Island, 1971-1981. She was dean of students at St. Jean Baptiste High School, Manhattan, 1981-1983, and served there as assistant career counselor and librarian, 1995-2007. She was involved in development work, guidance counseling and teaching English at Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons High School, Schenectady, 1983-1992. She served as a council member for her congregation, 2005-2009, and co-director and director of vocations, 2007-2017. She continued her vocation work through 2019. She resides at Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish in White Plains.

SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO

60 Years

Father John Grinsell, S.D.B., who professed first vows in 1960 and was ordained in 1971, has served as coordinator of the Don Bosco Community in Port Chester since 2015. He was director of the communities of New Rochelle-Salesian High School, Ramsey, N.J., and St. Petersburg, Fla., for six years each, and master of novices in Newton, N.J., 1986-1989. He has done teaching and/or guidance work in New Jersey and Indiana. He served in parishes for 16 years at Holy Rosary and St. John Bosco in Port Chester, Miami and Orange, N.J.

25 Years

Father Augustine Baek, S.D.B., who was ordained 25 years ago, has served as director of Salesian Missions in New Rochelle for the past year. Born in Kwangju, Korea, he joined the Salesians at Newton, N.J., and professed vows in 1987. He has taught at Archbishop Shaw High School, Marrero, La., and St. Dominic Savio, East Boston; served at the Boys & Girls Club, East Boston, and in parish ministry at Corpus Christi in Port Chester and Orange, N.J.; and taught theology at

Caldwell College in New Jersey. He coordinated Korean youth ministry at Reborn Young Christ Center, Stony Point, 2004-2019.

Father Dominic Tran, S.D.B., came to America as a young boy from his native Dalat, Vietnam. He professed vows in 1995 and was ordained in 2003. Since 2016, he has been province director of vocations, based at the provincial house in New Rochelle. After six years teaching at Paterson, N.J., and New Rochelle, he was assigned to formation ministry in Orange, N.J., 2007-2016, including three years as director.

65 Years

Father John Blanco, S.D.B.

40 Years

Father James McKenna, S.D.B.

PAULIST FATHERS

50 Years

Father John Collins, C.S.P., was ordained a priest in 1970 by Cardinal Terence Cooke at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Manhattan. He met the Paulist Fathers as a boy at Good Shepherd parish in the Inwood section of northern Manhattan. After years of pastoral service in Los Angeles, Austin, Texas, and Columbus, Ohio, Father Collins became a full-time missionary. He leads parish missions and workshops across the United States and Canada.

Father Charles Brunick, C.S.P., was ordained a priest in 1970 by Cardinal Terence Cooke at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Manhattan. He has served Paulist-run parishes across the United States. In 1985, he was a parochial vicar at Good Shepherd parish in Inwood. From 2016 to 2018, he was in senior ministry at the Paulist motherhouse in Manhattan. He is now in senior ministry in Grand Rapids, Mich.

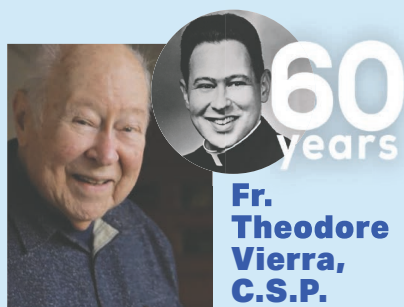
25 Years

Father Eric Andrews, C.S.P., was ordained a priest in 1995 at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Manhattan. He grew up in Pleasant Valley, where he was a parishioner at St. Stanislaus parish. From 1995 to 1999, he was parochial vicar of St. Paul the Apostle parish, Manhattan. Since 2014, he has served as president of the Paulist Fathers.

Father Ronald Franco, C.S.P., was ordained a priest in 1995 in Toronto. A native of the Bronx, he graduated from St. Nicholas of Tolentine High School. Before his ordination to the priesthood, he served as a deacon at Good Shepherd Church in Inwood in northern Manhattan. He served as parochial vicar of St. Paul the Apostle parish, Manhattan, 2000-2010. Since 2010, he has served as pastor of a parish in Knoxville, Tenn. He is vice postulator of the cause for canonization of Servant of God Isaac Hecker, founder of the Paulist Fathers.

Father Gilbert Martinez, C.S.P., was ordained a priest in 1995 at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Manhattan, where he was pastor, 2006-2018.

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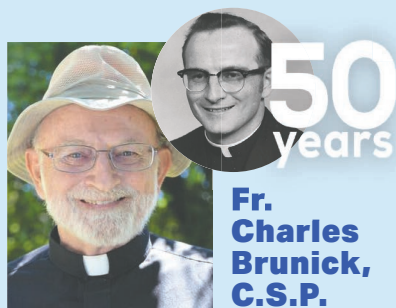


60
years
Fr. Theodore Vierra, C.S.P.

Ordained: May 11, 1960
Native Place: Honolulu, HI
Lives Today: Los Angeles, CA
Serving: Senior Ministry, St. Paul the Apostle, LA

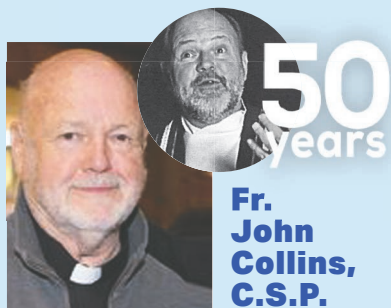


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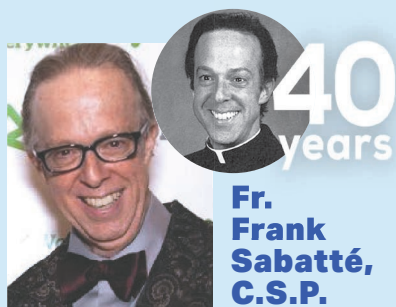
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years
Fr. Charles Brunick, C.S.P.

Ordained: March 7, 1970
Native Place: Camden, NJ
Lives Today: Grand Rapids, MI
Serving: Senior Ministry, Cathedral of St. Andrew



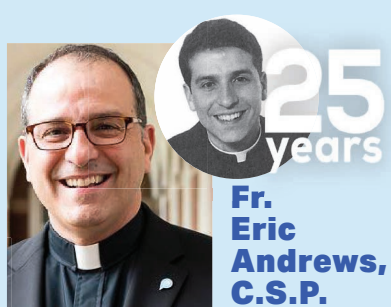
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years
Fr. John Collins, C.S.P.

Ordained: March 7, 1970
Native Place: New York, NY
Lives Today: New York, NY
Serving: Missionary, Parish Missions & Retreats



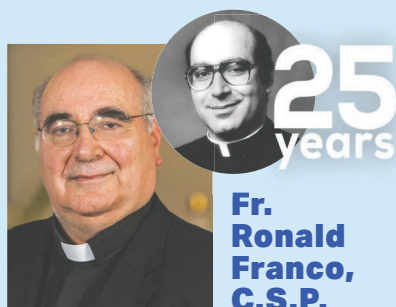
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years
Fr. Frank Sabatté, C.S.P.

Ordained: May 17, 1980
Native Place: San Jose, CA
Lives Today: New York, NY
Serving: Director, Openings Artists' Collective



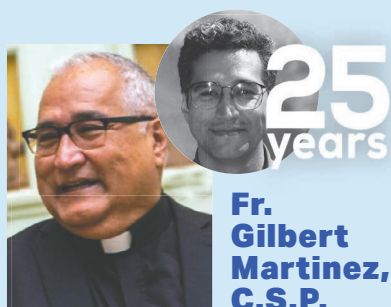
25
years
Fr. Eric Andrews, C.S.P.

Ordained: May 13, 1995
Native Place: Pleasant Valley, NY
Lives Today: New York, NY
Serving: President, The Paulist Fathers



25
years
Fr. Ronald Franco, C.S.P.

Ordained: October 28, 1995
Native Place: New York, NY
Lives Today: Knoxville, TN
Serving: Pastor, Immaculate Conception Church



25
years
Fr. Gilbert Martinez, C.S.P.

Ordained: May 13, 1995
Native Place: El Paso, TX
Lives Today: Los Angeles, CA
Serving: Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle, LA

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Since 2018, he has been pastor of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Community, Los Angeles.

40 Years

Father Frank Sabatté, C.S.P.

EDMUND RICE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS, NORTH AMERICA PROVINCE

60 Years

Brother Richard Joachim De-Maria, C.F.C., resides at St. Joseph's Residence Community, New Rochelle. He served as superintendent of schools in the Archdiocese of Miami, 1998-2004; executive director of Christian formation, Archdiocese of Miami, 2004-2009; and executive director and superintendent of schools, Miami, 2009-2010. He served at Iona College, New Rochelle, 1972-1989, and at Catholic high schools in Miami, New Jersey

and Massachusetts. He also served in Kenya and South Africa.

25 Years

Brother Lucian Rene Knaap, C.F.C., has served at Iona Preparatory Lower School, New Rochelle, since 2013. He also served at Sacred Heart of Jesus School, Manhattan, 2006-2010, and at Catholic schools in Chicago, Phoenix, Illinois and Mississippi. Born in Poughkeepsie, he professed final vows in 1998.

70 Years

Brother Thomas C. Higgins, C.F.C.

Brother John J. McCarthy, C.F.C.

65 Years

Brother T. Conan Armstrong, C.F.C.

Brother Donald F. McGovern, C.F.C.

Discalced Carmelite Nuns...

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The monastery has 11 Discalced Carmelite nuns. One of them is Sister Marjorie Robinson, O.C.D., a former prioress, who said, "I came to the community in 1974 when it was in the Bronx. I'm proud to be part of the community." Sister Marjorie, 72, still serves on the monastery council, which has four members. She is also on the leadership team of the order's national association, Carmelite Communities Associated (CCA).

"Prayer expands the heart, and it expands the mind, so that we are able to embrace all people," Sister Marjorie said, noting the importance of prayer especially during this challenging time of social unrest and pandemic illness and deaths.

"We are all human beings equal in the eyes of God, important in the eyes of God." She also noted the significance of praying for our "global village."

In 2013, the Beacon Carmelite community welcomed Redemptoristine nuns to share their home. "We are two separate communities but share our lives of prayer; we find it is an enrichment for both of our communities," Sister Michaelene said. There are presently five Redemptoristine nuns at the monastery.

The Carmel of the Archdiocese of

New York was the 14th founded in the United States, and the last foundation of Baltimore Carmel. The five foundresses (four nuns and one novice) arrived in Manhattan on July 15, 1920. They resided in Manhattan for about nine months before relocating to the Bronx. In 1982, the Bronx Carmelite community relocated to Beacon, about 60 miles north of Manhattan.

St. Teresa of Jesus, born in Avila, Spain, in 1515, was the driving force behind a reform of the ancient Carmelite Order. She entered the local Carmelite monastery at age 20. In 1562 she established a small community, the Carmel of St. Joseph, also in Avila. In the years that followed, St. Teresa of Jesus (also called St. Teresa of Avila) founded 16 more communities and, with St. John of the Cross, also initiated the reform of the men in the order. St. Teresa of Jesus died in 1582.

In 1790, after religious freedom was secured in the newly formed United States, four Carmelite women left the Carmel of Hoogstraten, Belgium, to journey across the Atlantic. Three of the four foundresses were from prominent Catholic families in Maryland. They arrived at Port Tobacco in Southern Maryland. After some years, they moved to Baltimore.