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Development Office



Please consider a gift to the Sisters of St. Francis in honor of our Jubilarians. Your donation will be used to support our Franciscan Peace Center in carrying out our mission of living and promoting active nonviolence and peacemaking.

Congratulations to the 2022 Jubilarians! We celebrate their combined 260 years of dedicated service to God's people. A renewal of vows will be held in July.



It is with joy and gratitude that the Sisters of St. Francis, Clinton, Iowa, announce the 70th Jubilee of

Sister Phyllis Morris and Sister Marjorie Wisor

and the 60th Jubilee of

Sister Theresa Judge and

Sister Anne Martin Phelan

Celebrating 70 years of religious life...



Sr. Phyllis Morris

Over the years, **Sister Phyllis Morris** has worked in the areas of education, pastoral ministry, and diocesan ministry. Notably, she ministered to the people of Peru, South America, for over 50 years!

She has served as a teacher at St. Gerald School, Oak Lawn, IL; Garces Memorial High School, Bakersfield, CA; Danbury Catholic High School, Danbury, IA; and Mount St. Clare Academy and College, Clinton, IA. She served two years at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Portland, OR.

Sister Phyllis was one of four sisters who originally went to Peru in 1965 to open a school. Many years were spent in Chulucanas, Peru — first serving as principal of Santa Cruz School and later as Parish Pastoral Assistant, Director of Catechetics, Pastoral Coordinator, and Finance Coordinator. She retired from full-time ministry in Peru in 2018.



Sr. Marjorie Wisor

She enjoys creating ceramic art pieces to promote nonviolence and peacemaking.

Sister Marjorie Wisor has served in the areas of education, pastoral ministry, and social service. She was a teacher at St. John's School, Victor, IA; Our Lady of Good Council School, Fonda, IA; and Sacred Heart School, Clinton, IA. She taught French at Mount St. Clare College, Clinton, IA; Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg, NY; and St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO.

She served in the area of pastoral ministry at St. Bernard's Parish, Madison, WI; St. Paul's Parish, Mosinee, WI; and St. Thomas More Parish, Paducah, KY.

While studying in France in the late 1960s, Sister Marjorie met the founder of L'Arche, an international federation of homes for people with development disabilities. After volunteering with L'Arche in Trosly, France, she worked to establish a L'Arche community in Clinton. The first home opened in 1974 and Sister Marjorie served as the director until 1986.

She has also served as a member of the formation team for the Sisters of St. Francis and as Director of the Carondelet Family Literacy Program in St. Louis, MO. She retired from full-time ministry in 2017. Currently, she oversees the library at The Canticle, plays the keyboard, and enjoys networking with the L'Arche Clinton community.

Celebrating 60 years of religious life...

Sister Theresa Judge has ministered in the area of education and is currently working in congregational administration. Notably, she served thirty-nine years at Mount St. Clare College and its successors, The Franciscan University (of the Prairies) and Ashford University.

She also taught at Sacred Heart School, Clinton, IA; St. Ann School, Toluca, IL; and St. Gerald School, Oak Lawn, IL. While serving at the collegiate level, Sister Theresa held many roles: Resident Director, Tennis Coach, Athletic Director, Dean of Students, English Instructor, and Department Chair. She enjoyed accompanying students and community members on school-sponsored trips to England.

Sister Theresa retired from education in 2015, but continued her service on several boards in the local area. She currently volunteers for the Clinton Area Showboat Theatre, L'Arche Clinton, Clinton Human Rights Commission, and Clinton YWCA Racial Justice Committee.

She was appointed to the position of General Secretary for the congregation in 2021, where she assists the president with official correspondence and is responsible for preserving all deeds, documents, and the seal of the congregation.

Over the past 60 years, **Sister Anne Martin Phelan** has worked in the areas of education, development, and congregational leadership. She currently ministers as the Religious Education Coordinator at St. Cajetan Parish in Chicago, IL.



Sr. Theresa Judge



Sr. Anne Martin Phelan

Sister Anne Martin taught at St. Francis de Paula School, Chicago, IL; St. Columbkille School, Varina, IA; and Mary, Star of the Sea School, Freeport, Grand Bahama, and was principal at St. Gerald School, Oak Lawn, IL.

She worked in the development office for the congregation for sixteen years. Answering the call to congregational leadership, she has served terms as Councilor, Vice President, and President. She moved to Illinois in 2016 and volunteered at Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. School for Exceptional Children in Tinley Park for two years.

In addition to her current position in Chicago, she serves as the Coordinator of the Sojourner Relationship and Associate Partnership Programs for the Sisters of St. Francis.