



Sister Ann d'Assisi Donofrio

You might say a spark for Sister Ann d'Assisi Donofrio's vocation walked past her house five days a week. She watched a group of Sisters walk to Old St. Patrick's Cathedral. Her mother's deep faith was also an inspiration to her. With the help of Sister Edith and Father Cirrincione she entered the Sisters of Saint Joseph from St. Francis of Assisi parish and began the ministry which brought her great delight: teaching children. She loved visits from former pupils, as well as their children and grandchildren.

Her ministries took her from Rochester to Elmira, Ithaca and Corning for 20 years and back to Rochester to Nazareth Hall for 37 years. (Sisters other ministries include St. Francis Xavier, St. Mary Elmira, Our Lady of Lourdes, Immaculate Conception Ithaca, St. Jerome East Rochester, St. Ambrose, St. Joseph Hospital Elmira, St. Patrick Corning, and SS Peter & Paul Elmira.)

On the occasion of her 70th Jubilee celebration in 2014, Sister Ann d'Assisi said the years had given her many wonderful memories and many people to remember in her prayer ministry. "I have been supported by my Sisters in community in so many ways. It has been a privilege to be a Sister of Saint Joseph who have, through the years, given so much to our Church and society."