



## Sister Mary Ida Lynch

“Getting the habit was a very memorable day for me and led the way to other happy events – vows, Jubilees and the like! I just cannot imagine not being a Sister of Saint Joseph,” exclaimed Sister Mary Ida Lynch during her 80<sup>th</sup> Jubilee in 2013.

Sister Mary Ida taught at St. Alphonsus, Auburn NY; St. Stephen, Geneva NY; St. Joseph Villa, Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart Cathedral (Principal) and Nazareth Academy, Rochester and St. Patrick (Principal), Corning NY. She also was an administrator at the SSJ Motherhouse Infirmary.

In her retirement Sister said ministry took on a different meaning. “It is more like being ministered to. But somehow I do have the feel of ‘SSJ ness!’” She also appreciated the enriching experience of community life. “Life in community makes me feel part of everyone! What I’m not able to do now, others are doing,” she said during her 80<sup>th</sup> Jubilee celebration. “It is quite different but somehow I feel part of it! We never seem to be left behind! Our spiritual life goes on – we pray, go to Mass, live together, enjoy each other and are wonderfully cared for. I know I am mightily blessed.”