

*Name of Jubilarian: Sister Kathleen Ries*

*Name of Birthplace/Hometown: Sheboygan, Wisconsin*

*Education, schools attended, and degrees received:*

*St. Peter Claver, Primary School*

*St. Mary's Academy (Freshman Year- Milwaukee) & St. Agnes High School*

*Marian College, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin - Undergraduate Degree*

*Mount Mary, Detroit, Michigan - Graduate Degree*

*Clarke College, Dubuque, Iowa - Continuing Education-Administration Certification*

*Fordham Univ., NY - Theology credits*

*Xavier University, New Orleans, Louisiana - Black Theology Program*

*Cincinnati, Ohio- 1 Unit Clinical Pastoral Education*

*San Diego, California - PICO Training in Church Based Community Organizing*

*Overview of positions held, locations, and dates where Sister Kathleen has ministered:*

*1961-66 - St. Mary, Mayville, Wisconsin - Teacher - 6 & 7 grades*

*1966-70 - St. Mary, Lomira, WI - Teacher - 7 & 8 grades*

*1970-74 - Sacred Heart, Yonkers, New York - Teacher - 7 & 8 grades*

*1974-77 - St. Henry, Ft Wayne, Indiana - Administrator*

*1977-80 - St. Mary, Altoona, Pennsylvania - Administrator*

*1980-81 - Bro. Dutton, Beloit, WI - Administrator*

*1981-88 - Holy Family, Bronx, NY - Administrator*

*1988-94 - Holy Child Jesus, Canton, Mississippi - Administrator*

*1994-95 - Sabbatical & Care of Parents*

*1996-99 - Church Based Community Organizing in Louisiana*

*1999-2000 - Community Service in Fond du Lac, WI*

*2000-01 - St. Rose, Milwaukee, WI - Director, After-School Program*

*2001-02 - ESL Program, Milwaukee, WI - Teacher/Director*

*2002-03 - Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI - Administrative Assistant*

*2003-06 - St. Michael Indian High School, Arizona - Administrator*

*2006-07 - Leo House, New York City, NY - Bookkeeper*

*2007 -Present - Leo House, NYC, NY - Minister of Hospitality & UN Activities*

*Thoughts on Religious Life:*

*I have a marvelous life!!! When I look back into these 50 years and realize the places I have lived, the people who became a part of my life, the many experiences that have enriched me, the family I was given and the good times we share and seeing the beginning of the next generation. This is all beyond my wildest dreams. I can truly say that religious life has made me who I am. What has kept my life together is prayer. I thank my God that I have 'showed up to pray' just about every day. Prayer has been my comfort, my support, my psychiatric couch. Prayer has brought me to this day and the living out of my religious vocation. I thank my Community for opening out to me school administration, where I discovered my innate talents that are a part of who I am. My greatest blessing in education has been the opportunity to serve minority communities in Mississippi and Arizona and learn from another culture. And now I continue to serve at the Leo House with involvement in Unanima International 's agenda and the United Nations.*