

## CSA JUBILARIAN 2017

**Name of Jubilarian:** Bertha Bumann

**Name of Birthplace/Hometown:** Altoona, PA

**Education: Schools/colleges/universities attended and degrees received:**

St. Mary Grade School, Altoona, PA

Altoona Catholic High School, Altoona, PA – 2 years

St. Agnes High School, Fond du Lac, WI

Marian College, Fond du Lac, WI

**Please name the places where you have ministered; if possible, list years. If you were a teacher, please name the parish or school, location, dates, and grade levels taught:**

St. Mary Grade School, Fond du Lac, WI – Primary

St. Mary Grade School, Ellis, KS – Primary

St. Mary Grade School, Victoria, KS – Primary

St. Joseph Grade School, Hays, KS – Primary

St. Mary Grade School, Hays, KS – Primary

1961-80 Nicaragua

1985-2000 Leo House, New York, NY

2000-present Nazareth Center, Fond du Lac, WI

*Share a story about a time, an event, or an experience in your vowed life that affirms or speaks to your lifelong commitment as a vowed woman religious.*

*Share what it means to you to be celebrating jubilee in CSA and in the global Church.*

*Share a poem, a prayer, a reflection that has captured for you, the story of your journey in religious life.*

My Nicaraguan ministry was the toughest challenge God gave me. Trying to understand and work with a different culture, mentality, customs, etc., invoked more than generosity to respond. With the grace of God, sweat and tears, I grew in love of Nicaragua, its people, the richness of their culture and depth of faith. Living there for 20+ years enriched me forever.