

CSA JUBILARIAN 2017

Name of Jubilarian: Patricia Hayes

Name of Birthplace/Hometown: Nanty Glo, PA

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

Marian College, Fond du Lac, WI – BSN

Aquinas School of Theology, St. Louis, MO – M. A. P. A. (Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies)

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:

1970-72 St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac, WI

1970-71; 80 Nicaragua

1972 St. Clare Hospital, Monroe, WI

1986-2005 Internal Ministry: Novice Director, Sponsorship, Leadership

2006-present Little Sisters of the Assumption Family Health Service

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.

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You gazed at me through the window,
devouring me with your soft, brown eyes.

Alive with longing, heedless of risk,
I fled with you to the woods where
you fed me blueberries and bathed me
in the clear, cool water of the brook.

That whole afternoon we lay together in
the sun-dappled grasses, our bodies
warm, entwined, touching along their entire length.

I couldn't get close enough, was starved for more of you.

I wanted to disappear into the warm
underbelly of your heart.

"As a deer longs for running water, so
my soul longs for you O God."