# Alice Ann Pfeifer

## FIRST PROFESSION 1975

### BIRTHPLACE/HOMETOWN Hays, KS

#### **EDUCATION**

Marian College • Fond du Lac, WI BA English

Marquette University • Milwaukee, WI MA English

**St. Joseph's College of Maine** MA Pastoral Studies

#### MINISTRY SITES

1977 -1982 IC High School Elmhurst, IL Teacher

1982 -1985 TMP Marian High School Hays, KS Teacher

1985 -1987 Sacred Heart High School Yonkers, NY Teacher

1988 -1995 Hi-Time Publishing Milwaukee, WI Editor

1995 -2000 IC Catholic Church Chelyabinsk, Russia Teacher

2000 -2015 Peter Li Publishing Dayton, OH Writer

2013 -

**ASTOP Fond du Lac, WI** Volunteer

2018 -

CSA Chronicles Fond du Lac, WI Writer

2018 -

**CSA Chapel Fond du Lac, WI**Guitarist for Mass

#### STORIES FROM MINISTRY

When one of my Yonkers students approached graduation, he gave me a photo of himself with this note on the back: "Sister Alice, thanks for listening to all the boring

and stupid thinks I have told you. I'll never forget all the things you have done for me. Keep me in your prayers and I am keeping you in mine. Your favorite student, Alex." He used to hang out in my classroom after school just to talk. But there was nothing boring or stupid about him, and he had a great sense of humor.

#### **WORDS OF ADVICE**

Keep alive the spirit and teachings of Vatican II.

Hold the four Gospels close to your heart and walk in the footsteps of
Christ. Take care of yourself so that you can care for others.

#### A BLESSING TO SHARE

The greatest blessing of my life was serving the people of Chelyabinsk, Russia, from 1995—2000. I went there with the hope of spending the rest of my life there, but that was not to be. Siberia was almost like a separate country from European Russia. People were friendly, curious, open-minded, and hospitable. Most were poor but much comforted by the restoration of their freedom of religion.

#### HOW CSA CHARISM INSPIRES ME

I relate most to our commitment to care for the Earth. I have so many happy memories of growing up in the country outside of Hays, Kansas. We had a big garden in our yard and were surrounded by wheat fields, cattle pastures, and elm trees Dad had planted for us. A nearby creek was always a fun place to play and go fishing. I am in my bliss living at the motherhouse now and appreciating daily the joys of nature. We must preserve this good Earth for future generations.

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