

CSA JUBILARIAN 2019

Name of Jubilarian: Rose Clare Ehrlich

Name of Birthplace/Hometown: Muncie, IN

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

St. Lawrence School, Muncie, IN

St. Agnes, Fond du Lac, WI

Marian College, Fond du Lac, WI – BS in Education

De Paul University, Chicago, IL – MA in Music Education

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:

1960-61 St. John, New Haven, IN – Grade 5

1961-67 St. Alphonsus, New Munster, WI – Grades 5 & 6

1967-68 St. Jude, Wauwatosa, WI – Grade 8

1968-70 St. John, Waunakee, WI – Grade 5

1970-76 St. Nicholas, Evanston, IL – Grade 6

1976-91 Sacred Heart, Yonkers, NY – All Grades, Music; Freshmen/Senior Music

1992-2000 St. Andrew, Fort Wayne, IN – Pastoral Ministry

2000-01 Sabbatical, New Hampshire

2002-03 The Rose Home, Fort Wayne, IN – Opened home for women with addictions

2003-present St. Paul of the Cross, Columbia City, IN & St. Joseph, Bluffton, IN – Director of Music

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.

When I was growing up, my Mother used to tell me stories about my older sister, Sister Margareta who was a Sister of CSA. I was only two-years-old when she entered the convent. Then when she came home every five years, how I looked forward to being with her. I think it was then that my vocation was instilled in me. Growing up to 8th grade with the Sisters of St. Agnes, I came to admire Sister Vergiline (Mercedes) who would ask me to stay after school and help her with various chores. We had many long talks about religious life during that year and my vocation became stronger. I then entered after my freshmen year not wanting to go to public school. Even though I had some difficult times, I have never regretted entering religious life.