



# Sr. Mary Jean Gauthier, OSF

## 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee

**Religious Community:** Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross

**Home Parish:** St. Peter Parish, Oconto

**Current Residence/Role:** Skilled Care, prayer ministry

**Ministry to Diocese:**

1953-1957: Homemaker, Holy Angels Parish, Darboy

1957-1958: Homemaker, St. Mary Parish, Peshtigo

1958-1959: Homemaker, All Saints Parish, Denmark

1959-1962: Cook, St. Francis Pre-Novitiate, Robinsonville

1962-1964: Homemaker, St. Joseph Parish, Marinette

1964-1966: Housekeeper, Mc Cormick Home, Green Bay

1966-1968: Homemaker, St. Isidore Parish, Osman

1968-1970: Homemaker, St. Joseph Parish, Marinette

1970-1973; General Work, Chapel House of Prayer, Robinsonville

1973-1983: Laundress/Driver, Motherhouse, Bay Settlement

1983-1989: Home Nursing Care, Motherhouse, Bay Settlement

1989-1990: Health Care, Mc Cormick Home, Green Bay

1990-1992: Home Nursing Care, Motherhouse, Bay Settlement

1993-2019: Community Service, Motherhouse, Bay Settlement

2019-2024: Retired, Skilled Care, Bay Settlement

**Ministry Elsewhere:**

1992-1993: Parish Minister, St. Cecilia/Blessed Kateri, Tachi, Brit. Columbia, Canada

**Share a memorable experience that reaffirmed your faith or your vocation.**

*Every place I served had wonderful, faith-filled people, but my most memorable experience was the time I spent in Tachi, British Columbia, Canada on the Carrier Indian Reservation. Our village was remote and the people were very poor, mostly living off the land. But they were generous and shared what they had with others, including with Sister Jeanette and myself. We were the "church presence" since the priest could only fly in or come by boat a few times per year. We had religious services for the people and our house was a place of hospitality. We offered the gift of a listening presence as young and old dropped in, daytime and evening.*

**What advice would you give someone considering a religious vocation?**

*When I spoke with younger students in former years I always reminded them to pray and to listen — and if they kept feeling a "call", to actually come and try it out. If it felt like it "fit" – that was a sign that God was probably calling them to religious life.*

Taste and  
See the  
Goodness  
of the Lord