

Sister Mary Oliver Hudon, SSND - 70 Year Jubilee!



A Life of Service...

Mary and Oliver Hudon had a daughter and a son when I was born in Rochester, N.Y. My younger sister joined the family 18 months later. We lived only a block away from Saints Peter & Paul Church & School where the School Sisters of Notre Dame were my teachers. Inspired by them, I attended high school at the SSND Juniorate in Fort Lee, N.J.

Several months after graduation I left for Baltimore to enter the Congregation, where I entered in 1950 and professed my final vows in 1959.

After my early years as an elementary school teacher, I was blessed to serve in a variety of ministries at the Diocesan, National and International levels. Some specific ministries included serving as dean at Notre Dame College, as director of Weekend College, as the first director of the Bishops National Retirement Fund, and on our General Council in Rome with Sister Pat Flynn.

I have spent the past 22 years in Florida, as a parishioner of St. Ann Church in West Palm Beach. I served as parish coordinator of community services before launching St. Ann Place in 2003 with Sister Carleen Cekal, to minister to homeless women and men. We are both retired now, but still volunteer two days a week there. John Pescosolido, one of our Associates, now directs it.

I live in Hope Community with Sisters Carleen and JoAnn Villademoros.