



Sister Joan Margaret Kunz – 75 Years

“Nothing but profound joy and gratitude fill my heart as I celebrate the countless ways God has touched my life over the past 75 years,” says Sister Joan Margaret Kunz. “Truly, these years have been graced beyond measure!”

“Among God’s many blessings are, first and foremost, all those persons – both within and outside the Congregation – who have been the focus of God’s presence in my life, living reminders of who God is for me!

“One of the most grace-filled experiences of my life was the privilege of teaching Scripture, first at Nazareth College for almost 30 years, then in the SSJ Spirituality Program for another 10 years. Prior to all of this, I had already taught at Nazareth Hall and Sacred Heart, Rochester; St. Patrick’s School, Mt. Morris; and Mt. Carmel High School, Auburn.

“With my retirement from Nazareth in 1992, and my teaching days behind me, I began to volunteer at the SSJ ministry St. Martin’s Place. For the next 18 years, I felt so enriched by this new ministry because it helped me to ‘put flesh on’ so much of what I had taught in the classroom about the importance of responding to those in need! Just mingling with our ‘guests,’ and getting to know them, was a constant source of grace for me!

“Profoundly aware of how graced my entire life has been, I can only respond with the Psalmist: ‘What return can I make to the Lord for all that He has given to me? (Ps 116:12)’”