



Sister Jean Bellini – 50 Years

“During initial formation my first ministries were in education, at Our Lady of Lourdes School and St. Agnes High School, then campus ministry at Ithaca College,” said Sister Jean Bellini.

“I joined the Brazilian SSJ Mission in 1976 and served as pastoral agent in two neighboring towns. In 1981 I joined the Pastoral Land Commission, accompanying rural communities and encouraging a grassroots organization, which I continue to be a part of today.

“I served for 22 years as a member of the pastoral team of the Prelature of São Felix do Araguaia, MT, in seven different towns. For 11 years, while I lived with the priests and lay pastoral agents with whom I ministered, I also served on the formation and coordination teams of the Brazil Region of SSJs.

“Since 1994 I have lived in community with SSJs and shared community for two years with two young women discerning their vocations. Since 2006 I had lived in Goiânia, GO with other SSJs, ministering National Secretariat of the Pastoral Land Commission and presently on its National Executive Coordination. I also served nine years in Prison Ministry.”