

Sister Emilie Marie Lesniak
50 Years

Sister Emilie Marie entered our Congregation on August 27, 1961 from Five Holy Martyrs in Chicago, Illinois. She taught Religion at Madonna High School from 1961-1962 and also served as the Organist. Sister first served as the Organist at the Motherhouse from 1962-1967. From 1967-1969, she taught Junior High at St. Stanislaus Bishop & Martyr School in Chicago, Illinois. Sister then taught at Five Holy Martyrs School (Chicago) from 1969-1972. Sister then served as Organist and Director of the Glee Club for the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago and served in that position until 1980. From 1980-1988, Sister served as Principal of Five Holy Martyrs School (Chicago). She also served as Local Superior, Assistant Superior and Community Choir Director. During her time as Principal, Sister served as Secretary of the Archdiocesan Principals Association, Council 15, and was also an ex-officio member of the all School Planning Committee.

In 1988, Sister was elected General Councilor and appointed General Secretary for the Congregation and served in that position for two five-year terms until 1998. During that time she was also appointed the first Director of the Lay Associate Movement of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago and served as director for 15 years. She also served as choir director and organist at the Motherhouse and as choir director and organist at St. Patricia Parish in Hickory Hills, Illinois from 1998-2002. In 2002, Sister was appointed Local Minister for Our Lady of Victory Convent in Lemont, Illinois and served in that capacity until 2009. From 2003-2008, she served as General Councilor and General Secretary on the Leadership Team of the Congregation, as well as Local Minister and Organist. Currently, Sister is the Music Minister and Organist at the Motherhouse in Lemont, Illinois.

*Thank you, Sister Emilie Marie,
and congratulations on your 50th
Jubilee!*

