

TEACHING AND SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Sister Betty King has been a CND sister for over forty years. During this time, she has been a teacher, school administrator and coordinator of the Congrégation de Notre-Dame Associate Relationship Program in the United States. Presently she is a teacher of English as a Second Language to women in the Bridgeport, CT area. The site for this education project is Caroline House which is a ministry of the School Sisters of Notre Dame (SSND). Our collaboration with the SSNDs has been a gift for both communities. Sister Betty is teaching women from several Latin American countries who are very eager to learn English so that they can be of greater help to their children.

SOCIAL WORK

Sister Eileen Dorney, CND has been working as a social worker at *Encore 49* on West 49th St. NYC – right in the heart of the theater district. *Encore 49* is a single room occupancy facility providing safe and decent housing for elderly women and men. Social and mental health services are provided for all residents as well as 24-hour front desk coverage and security cameras. As a member of the social service staff, Sister Eileen provides advocacy, benefits/entitlements information and counseling. In its mission statement, *Encore 49* assists those who are vulnerable and frail, poor and homeless, lonely and most often ignored. They are helped with their daily needs so that they might live as independently as possible, with dignity and decency in a safe and caring environment. Sister Eileen is bringing Christ and Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys's love to the poorest among us.



PARISH MINISTRY

Sister Jane Ann Scanlon, CND has had a long and varied career. She has been a teacher, a member of the Congregation's Blessed Sacrament provincial administration, Vicar for Religious, Assistant Chancellor, and now Pastoral Associate in Blessed Sacrament Parish in Queens, NY. In this position, Sister Jane has many responsibilities. This parish is very diverse ethnically; 80% are from Mexico, the Dominican Republic, and Ecuador. Sister Jane facilitates pastoral and strategic planning as well as faith formation of adults. In this area, her responsibilities include coordinating the RCIA program. She has particular responsibilities to the English-speaking communities. Sister Jane also ministers to the elderly, sick, homebound and hospitalized parishioners. In all of this, Sister Jane brings the knowledge and love of the Incarnate Word to all, a desire of Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys.



A COMBINATION OF THE THREE

Sister Mary MacIsaac, CND is a professed religious for over 65 years and during this time she has done tremendous work. Sister Mary taught in New York, Rhode Island and Illinois, teaching all grades through high school except Grade 3!

In 1964, she answered the call of the Church and the Congrégation de Notre-Dame to minister in Central America. While there, Sister Mary initiated many programmes: a health clinic, a sweater factory, carpentry and shoemaker shops and a bakery. She also started a junior high school. Sister Mary was a pastoral minister and was part of the Formation House for our young Central American sisters.

She returned to the United States in 2001, and is now ministering in Holy Cross/Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Chicago. People from Mexico and Central America are part of the parish and Sister Mary brings her tremendous experience to each one. Sister Mary works in the Basic Needs Center as the intake person enabling parents and children to obtain government funds and access programs they need. The parish also provides many activities for parents and children, helping them to adjust to life in Chicago and keep the children safe from gangs and violence. At present Sister Mary is also working with five associates of the Congrégation de Notre-Dame and is a member of the Peter Claver Organization.