

ANNUAL REPORT

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*Benedictine Sisters of
St. Scholastica Monastery*

*Office of Development
Duluth, MN*



Dear Friends of the Monastery,

This 2012 Annual Report focuses on The College of St. Scholastica's centennial year and includes photos of Sisters who were pioneers at the College during those formative years and whose dedication helped to create the wonderful institution it is today. As you know, the Duluth Benedictines founded the College and recruited and taught students for many years. Today, though the College and Monastery are separate entities, we sponsor the College and celebrate our good planting and nurturing that has borne a bountiful harvest there.



Other celebrations over the past year include a new Postulant, Kathleen DelMonte; two new Novices, Sister Elizabeth Farias and Sister Paule Pierre Barbeau; and one woman, Sister Lisa Maurer, who made her Perpetual Monastic Profession July 11, 2012. We now have seven women in initial formation and are so thankful for your prayers and financial gifts that support them in their discernment process. Some of our more seasoned Sisters celebrate Jubilees this year—two Golden Jubilarians (50 years), three Sisters celebrating 60 years, three celebrating 70 years, one celebrating 75 years, and one celebrating 80 years of monastic profession! We thank you for your loving and generous support of all our Sisters and ministries as we and you bring hope, healing, and God's empowering love to others.

This past year over 1,430 gifts to the Monastery and to McCabe Renewal Center have totaled \$507,059.

Community Support	\$399,287
Retirement Fund	\$ 41,929
Garden Court Renovation Appeal	\$ 28,738
Care of Infirm Sisters	\$ 22,439
McCabe Renewal Center	\$ 8,881
Twinning (Sister Monasteries)	\$ 4,598
Vocations	\$ 945
Benedictine Center of Spirituality	\$ 242

There were 150 first-time donors. In addition, volunteers contributed 2,311 hours of service.

Let us give thanks for the wonders of God's love at work in our foremothers and forefathers. May the legacy of their holy lives live on in us as we let God grow our potential into a harvest of justice and peace, goodness and love for our world.

Lovingly yours in Christ with deep gratitude and prayer,

Sister Lois Eckes

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Cover: Sisters arriving on the St. Scholastica Monastery (Villa Sancta Scholastica) grounds in 1910 in a carriage pulled by Paddy and Tommy.

COVENANT PEOPLE

“Covenant People” is the name of the recognition society that honors those individuals who have included the Benedictine Sisters Benevolent Association in their estate plans by naming it as a beneficiary of their will, life insurance policy, or charitable trust. The recognition society also includes names of people who have given the Monastery major lifetime gifts since the beginning of the Development Office in 1989. Covenant People names are inscribed in a book in the Eucharistic Chapel in Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapel and on the donor recognition board in the Monastery entry. Please let us know if you identify errors or omissions.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO O

In September 2012, Sister Jean Maher and Sister Judine Mayerle will celebrate 50 years of monastic profession.

Sister Jean Maher 50 years

Photo by Sister Joyce Fournier



My heart overflows with gratitude as I reflect on the past 50 years as a Benedictine Sister. What else is there to say after fifty years of vowed monastic life other than *Deo Gratias*? First of all, I thank God for gifting me with two wonderful parents, Jack and Dorothy Maher. They taught me so much about the love of God. I saw it reflected in their love for each other as well as their love for my brother and me. I also observed this in their love for extended family and friends, neighbors, and co-workers. All were welcome in our home. My first lessons in Benedictine hospitality came from them. Another giant-sized blessing in my life is my brother Phil, who has taught me so much about following your dreams and reaching out with compassion to those in need. Phil and my amazing sister-in-law, Roseann, have brought four beautiful children into the world. Phil, Kathy, Julie, and Christina are all married now and starting their own families, so the circles of love and joy keep growing. *Deo Gratias!*

My first teachers at St. Timothy's School in Chicago were Benedictine Sisters who came from the "unknown land" of Duluth, Minnesota. Their love for God was highly contagious, as was their passion for education. Needless to say, Duluth is no longer the "unknown land." It is now my home. When I entered St. Scholastica Monastery on September 8, 1960, the only thing I knew for sure was that God was here ahead of me to welcome me through the Sisters who brought me into the circle of their lives and taught me how to receive God's love in new ways and then to share it generously with those I was called to serve. This Community gave me the opportunity to earn a B.S. degree in Education, M.A. degrees in Religious Studies and Theology, a D.Min. degree in Spiritual Direction, and a postgraduate certificate in Theological Studies. *Deo Gratias!*

I am currently serving the Community as the director of McCabe Renewal Center where I offer retreats and spiritual direction as well as serve on the training team for spiritual directors in the Shalom Program. I am a member of the leadership team for the Association of Benedictine Retreat Centers in the United States and Canada and also serve on the Monastic Council at the Monastery. In the past I have served my Community as oblate director, subprioress, vocation director, and initial formation director. Outside of the Monastery I have served on the administrative team at the Warrenville Cenacle in Illinois, and the Benedictine Spirituality Center in Richardton, North Dakota. My other ministries included serving as a campus minister at DePaul University in Chicago and associate director of campus ministry at the University of San Diego in California. During my years in Chicago I developed and led a spirituality program for former prostitutes who were in a treatment program at the Genesis House, founded by Edwina Gateley.

I have helped to facilitate prioress elections in four Benedictine Monasteries, given retreats and workshops for many religious communities around the country, and served on a visitation team for two Communities. My earlier years of ministry in Community were spent teaching at the elementary and high school levels and directing religious education programs in parishes. That brought me to St. Peter's Parish and St. John's Parish in Duluth, Our Mother of Sorrows Parish in Cincinnati, Sacred Heart Parish in Cloquet, and Cathedral High School in Duluth. When I think of all the beautiful people I've been privileged to work with since September 8th, 1960, all I can say is *Deo Gratias!*

Sister Judine Mayerle 50 years

When I was growing up in the little village of Bovey, on northeastern Minnesota's Mesabi Iron Range, I enjoyed working in my parents' Marshall-Wells Hardware store when I wasn't in school or involved in sports, band, or other activities. But sometimes I would stop at St. Mary's Catholic Church and sit in the quiet semidarkness, aware even as a child of His loving Presence. I think my vocation was born in that little church and nurtured by my parents' strong faith. I didn't really pray. I just sat there, with Him.

My first encounter with nuns was the women in long black robes who filled the front pews of our church early each summer to teach us catechism for several weeks. They were cool, but I knew I didn't want to be a nun. I wanted to be a foreign correspondent and wear a trench coat and have a press card tucked into my hatband. I enrolled in the University of Minnesota's Journalism school, but my Uncle Joe, an administrator at St. Mary's Hospital in Duluth, told me about The College of St. Scholastica. I'd never heard of it, but agreed to "take a look."

I've never forgotten that lovely January afternoon when we turned off Kenwood Avenue and I saw the campus through softly falling snow. I enrolled as a double English/History major with a journalism minor. However, although I enjoyed my new friends, classes, and activities, I was drawn to the solitude of the back campus and the chapel, to the Sisters chanting the Divine Office. I had no interest in being a nun, however, and didn't agree with Him about a religious vocation, but who can argue with the Creator of the Universe, even though His plans were not my plans?

I entered the Benedictine Community as a college sophomore, and after graduation taught English at the "new" Duluth Cathedral High School, earned a Master's degree in Motion Picture History/Criticism at UCLA, then developed a multi-track program in Media Arts at The College of St. Scholastica. After earning my Ph.D. in Television History/Criticism and Mass Communication Law from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, I taught at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, then chaired the Department of Broadcast and Electronic Communication at Marquette University, Milwaukee.

My research program and scholarly publications (the production and contextual criticism of primetime television programming, in particular the 1950s) were very Benedictine, I think, for as I studied and preserved the artifacts of such "live" productions as *Playhouse 90* and *Kraft Television Theatre* and conducted hundreds of interview hours with writers, directors, and producers from television's "golden age," I continued what European Benedictines did in preserving manuscripts and the arts during the Middle Ages.

I left higher education to begin a new chapter in my life—an "almost" full-time writer. *The Blue Horse* (a mystery set in a Benedictine monastery) is near publication, and I'm writing a social/cultural history of our monastic Community. I've produced a 30-minute film about the Duluth Benedictines ("Sing a New Song"), served on the monastic Council, Community committees, our web site task force, and the CSS Board of Trustees. I continue to serve on the Monastery Vocation Ministry team and chair the Community's Strategic Planning.

As a child I'd wake at night to hear the strain of a Euclid's engine as the gigantic truck hauled ore from the iron mine, hear the piercing whistle of the huge Mallet locomotive as it pulled a mile-long string of ore cars to the Port of Duluth. Sometimes at night, all these years later, the whistle of a 1,000-foot laker on Lake Superior on approach to the aerial lift bridge is like hearing the drawn-out whistle of the Mallet.

I still sit in the silence with Him. Sometimes I speak. Mostly I listen. I never became a foreign correspondent, but the Benedictine value of stewardship challenged me to use my talents as I followed a different path. Whatever He asked of me, regardless how difficult, I would remember the words of the great Archangel Gabriel to Mary: "Rejoice, fear not, nothing is impossible with God." Clearly the plans God has for us are so much better than what we might design for ourselves.



Photo by Jean Jensen

CONGRATULATIONS TO OU

August 15, 2012, eight Sisters celebrated their Diamond Jubilees at Eucharist in Our Lady Queen of Peace Chapel. Congratulations to these Sisters! (Photos by Sister Joyce Fournier except where noted.)

Sister Estelle Panger 80 years

By Sister Marguerite Baxter



Sister Estelle was born in Cloquet, Minnesota, on March 31, 1913, to Fred and Jennie Panger, the 7th of 11 children. She attended Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School in Cloquet and the high school at the Villa in Duluth. During her senior year she followed in the footsteps of two siblings, Sister Eunice and Sister Alicia, and entered the Benedictine community, making her first profession in 1932. Sister was five years old at the time of the Cloquet fire and often recalled how their family was saved by spending the night at the water pumping station.

Sister's ministry began with teaching in the elementary schools in Duluth, Brainerd, Cincinnati, and Minneapolis for 23 years. When lay teachers began teaching in Catholic schools in 1955, Sister Estelle became a registered occupational therapist and then served as the department head of Occupational Therapy at St. Mary's Medical Center for 22 years. During that time Sister Estelle was the editor of the hospital newsletter, *Mary Notes*. Following her retirement she spent two years in Dubuque, Iowa, preparing herself to begin an occupational therapy department in the Benedictine Health Center when it opened in 1980. Here she served another eight years. During

this time Sister Estelle was instrumental in helping Father Bernard Brennen, a quadriplegic, learn to paint by mouth.

Upon retirement Sister Estelle was never idle, being a very "crafty lady." Among her specialties were knitting, crocheting, rug-weaving, and tatting, which she used in preparing artistic greeting cards depicting nature objects. The latter became so popular that she had difficulty keeping up with all the orders.

For the past several months Sister Estelle has been on hospice care in the Monastery infirmary waiting for God's call. At age 99 she has lived a full life in the service of God's people.

Sister Cecile LaForest 75 years

My journey to Duluth began at age 14 with an all-night train ride from Negaunee, in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, to enroll at Villa Scholastica as a high school sophomore.

I was the middle child in a family of five children living in a mining location. I received my primary education in a one-room school and later attended St. Paul's School. During the summer following my freshman year, I had received a surprise visit from two Duluth Benedictine Sisters sent to our home by our pastor. Hindsight reveals that that visit was a peak experience in discerning God's gentle call to a life of dedication as a religious.

I received my parents' permission and support. Duluth became my home. I merely exchanged the abundant snows of the UP for more of the same in Duluth. Like many of my contemporaries I was educated to join the ranks of elementary schoolteachers. My assignments included St. Clement's, St. James, St. Margaret Mary, Sacred Heart, and the towns of Virginia, Eveleth, Grand Rapids, Aitkin, Cloquet, and Chicago. My supervisory work allowed me to travel to all the Duluth Diocesan schools. I was blessed with a ministry that provided me with a plethora of experiences that would contribute to the challenge in the formation of youth. Over the years I functioned as teacher, principal, supervisor, and director of religious education. Working with children and teachers was stimulating and rewarding. But the best was yet to come!

Having completed the "education run" in 1991, St. Ann's became my home. I was both a resident and a staff member. I was privileged to be entrusted with the care of St. Ann's beautiful chapel and to be united in worship with this special community. Allow me to share a cherished verse from Psalm 16 that underlines my life:

The lot marked out for me is my delight. Welcome, indeed, is the heritage that falls to me.



Sister Victorine Sitter 70 years

By Sister Mary Rochefort



Sister Victorine (Katherine) Sitter is the oldest of four children of Frank and Theresa Sitter. She and her siblings Elizabeth, Agnes, and Frank (deceased) grew up in Berwick, North Dakota. After graduating from Stanbrook Hall, Sister Victorine joined our Benedictine Community on September 8, 1940. Sister Victorine attended The College of St. Scholastica and Superior State College. She taught primary grades in several of the Catholic schools in the Diocese of Duluth as well as in the Archdiocese of Minneapolis/St. Paul.

Sister Victorine later cared for her aging parents for six years at their home in Berwick, North Dakota. During this time, she also taught first and second grades in the public school in Berwick. When she returned to Duluth, Sister Victorine was assigned to Marshall School as a tutor and substitute teacher.

Sister Victorine's ministries also included the Monastery Transportation Office and Benet Hall. In 2008 she accepted an invitation from The College of St. Scholastica to assist with tutoring in Academic Support Services. When asked about her work at the College Sister Victorine proclaimed, "I love it!"

People who work with Sister Victorine speak very highly of her and are grateful for her presence. Anita Gille, a daily co-worker says, *"I have been personally touched by Sister Victorine in many ways. On a professional level, Sister inspires me to approach each student as an individual. Sister is an amazing woman who teaches the Benedictine values of hospitality, respect and love of learning minute by minute."*

Sister Victorine's sister Agnes joined the Benedictine Community five years after Sister Victorine. Sister Agnes also taught first grade for a number of years but never in the same school as Sister Victorine. Now, they are both living at the Monastery and enjoying being together. They enjoy outings, playing dice games, sharing joys and sorrows and reminiscing about family. They are best friends as well as sisters.

Sister Victorine is grateful for her vocation and the blessings she has received.

Sister Ramona Ewen 70 years

By Sister Margaret James Laughlin



Sister Ramona began her teaching career at Duluth Cathedral Senior High School when Father Michael Hogan was its deeply respected principal. She had graduated from The College of St. Scholastica and earned her Master's degree at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. Her teaching assignments were primarily bookkeeping, typing, and office machines.

In 1982 Sister Ramona moved from Cathedral High to The College of St. Scholastica as an assistant professor in the Management Department and began teaching accounting and serving as an advisor for CSS students in the Brainerd area. Three of her former students have established CSS scholarships in her name: The Sister Ramona Ewen Scholarship by David Kuefler; the Sister Ramona Ewen/Thomas Wedge Scholarship by Thomas Wedge; and Dan Seeler Family Scholarship in honor of Sister Ramona Ewen and +Sister Janelle Cahoon. She treasures too her long years of friendship with co-faculty member David Anstett and his wife, Bonni.

Sister Ramona served as a trustee of Hibbing General Hospital and as a trustee of Benedictine Health System members in North and South Dakota and Idaho as well as in Minnesota at St. Joseph Medical Center, Brainerd; Benedictine Health Center, Duluth (and on its Foundation Committee); and Madonna Towers and Madonna Meadows in Rochester.

Sister Ramona has not, however, spent all her time teaching or serving as a hospital trustee. Her travels have taken her to Chile, Ireland, Scotland, England, and Quebec in Canada. She is an avid fan of the Minnesota Twins and the Minnesota Vikings, and has added the CSS Saints football team to her interests.

Three cousins will help Sister Ramona celebrate her 70th Jubilee: Father-Prior Sharbel Ewen, OSB, of Oceanside, California; Sister Generose Gervais, OSF, of Rochester, Minnesota; and Sister Mary Kraft, CSJ, of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Sister Margaret James Laughlin 70 years

My hometown is Iron Mountain, Michigan, a mining town of about ten thousand people. Until I was seven years old our family consisted of my parents, two older brothers, myself, and one younger sister. Then my parents became the legal guardians of seven first cousins—four girls and three boys—all except one older than I—who then made their home with us. I have a vivid memory, some time later, of calling out the back door to my mother who was hanging clothes in the back yard to ask, “How many for dinner today?” She thought briefly and then said, Oh, there are only ten today!” Despite the difficult days of the Depression, ten of the eleven of us became college graduates.

My mother was determined, like her mother before her, that each of us must have at least one year in a Catholic school. I chose St. Scholastica for my year because I had a cousin who attended. I liked it, so at the end of the year decided to continue there. In the middle of my junior year, together with three of my closest friends, I became a postulant to become a Benedictine Sister.

Three years later, as a junior professed Sister, I was sent to teach typing and shorthand at Cathedral Senior High School near downtown Duluth. I stayed for 17 happy years, the last ten as assistant principal. Finances were always at crisis point, but the students were a joy, and life was always interesting. My next assignment was principal at Stanbrook Hall, a different world in many respects, but, again, the students were a joy and life was always interesting. But the competition of a new Cathedral High School was devastating to enrollment at Stanbrook Hall which was forced to close in 1967. That fall my first assignment at the about-to-become-coed College of St. Scholastica was registrar; in 1971 I became assistant to the president—first Bruce Stender and then Dan Pilon, until 1991 when I moved to the newly-organized Monastery Development Office, full-time until three years ago and now half-days. As I look back at these seventy years, it is my hope “*Ut in omnibus glorificetur Deus!*”



Sister Kathleen Doyle 60 years

On November 3, 1930, I was born in Dubuque, Iowa. My parents were elated as they had four boys and thought only boys would be their lot. Three other girls would follow. We lived in the shadow of St. Raphael's Cathedral with school and convent attached. This was like a second home to us until my father got a job in Des Moines. We moved there when I was six years old.

After graduating from Visitation Elementary School I spent my first year of high school at Mt. Loretto boarding school in Council Bluffs, and three years after that I graduated from St. Joseph Academy in Des Moines in 1948. I was 17 at the time. In September I entered the Passionist Order in Owensboro, Kentucky. I returned home after ten months, and in 1950 I entered the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri. I made first profession in 1952 and final profession in 1957. I transferred to the Duluth Benedictines in 1968. Religious life finally “took.” My ministry was in the medical field as a physical therapist. I enjoyed this work very much. I felt I gained as much from my patients as they did from my services to help them attain improved health. My first job was at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines. I wanted to be close to my youngest sister Madonna who died of cancer in 1973. I returned to Duluth and worked at Polinsky Rehabilitation center for seven years. I helped to design the new P.T. department at the Benedictine Health Center and worked there a few years. Then I worked at St. Mary's Home Care and worked in Home Care in St. George, Utah, Colorado Springs, and again in Des Moines. Finally, I finished my P.T. career in Duluth.



After retiring (as it were), I was assigned to be manager of the Monastery Books and Gift Shop, and I continue this work today. I am amazed that I am now celebrating 60 years as a religious. I wonder how it happened so quickly. Like so many of my loved ones who have gone to God, I know my own Maranatha will come just as swiftly. Come Lord Jesus!

Sister Beverly Horn 60 years

I was born in Duluth, Minnesota, the older of two children born to Katherine (O'Meara) and Albert Horn. My parents were both Minnesotans and my mother was born in Duluth. Both parents' families had long-term associations with the Duluth Benedictines. My mother's family attended St. James School. Many family members were employees of St. Mary's Hospital/Medical Center.

I attended Pike Lake School for the first and second grade, followed by Catholic elementary schools in Duluth. I graduated from Stanbrook Hall in 1949 and attended The College of St. Scholastica for one year. I entered St. Scholastica Monastery in September 1950. I was an elementary teacher at Our Mother of Sorrows, Cincinnati, in 1952 and 1953. I transferred to St. Louis University, St. Louis Missouri, in 1954 and completed my BSN in 1957.

After graduation, I spent a year at St. James Children's Home. In 1959 I became an instructor in the Department of Nursing at The College of St. Scholastica. In 1961 I completed my master's degree in nursing at the University of Washington, Seattle. I returned to the CSS nursing faculty until the fall of 1970. During most summers, when not teaching, I worked at St. Mary's Hospital. Also, for seven years I lived at Our Lady of Victory Hall as a floor prefect with CSS freshmen and students who were upper division majors in nursing.

I returned to the University of Washington and completed my Ph.D. in 1975. I then returned to CSS as Chair of the Department of Nursing from 1974-1976. I left CSS in 1976 to join the faculty at the University of Washington School of Nursing and retired as faculty emerita in 2001.

At the Monastery I have been a member of the Community Council, the BSBA Board of Directors and multiple Community committees. I am currently on our sponsored organization boards including St. Joseph's Medical Center, Brainerd, and Essentia Health, Central Region. I am Executive Director of the Transcultural Nursing Society. This is a volunteer ministry carried on primarily through telecommunication with our central office in Michigan. I review manuscripts for two nursing journals.



Sister Joyce Fournier 60 years

By Sister Joyce and Sister Sarah Smedman



Photo by Andi Therrien

I was born in Warren, Minnesota, a town of 2,000, some 268 miles northwest of Duluth, the second of six children born to Leo and Anne Fournier. My father owned and operated the Warren Bakery, and mother, who had been a teacher, worked alongside my dad while raising the family and keeping the home. When we children were old enough, we all worked in the bakery in some capacity.

After graduation from high school, I worked at our Warren hospital and became interested in medical technology. When Sisters Monica and Prudentia came to Warren (as they did to towns across Minnesota and neighboring states), I learned about the med tech program at The College of St. Scholastica. In the fall of 1949 I matriculated as a freshman at CSS. Gradually, I realized that God was calling me to religious life. With a close friend and classmate, I entered the Benedictine Community as a postulant. The words, a formula then for all entrants, are burned into my memory: "I humbly beg for Jesus' sake to be admitted —." When I pronounced my triennial vows in 1953, I was assigned to teach and assist at St. John's School and Children's Home. That was the end of a career in medical technology! Over the next two decades I taught at schools in Phoenix, Hibbing,

International Falls, Duluth, and Chicago. I then served as subprioress for nine years and later at McCabe Renewal Center in Duluth and St. Gertrude School in Washington, D.C.

When I returned to Duluth from St. Gertrude's, I began working with Sister Noemi Weygant, a noted photographer then suffering from macular degeneration. Working as her assistant, I was deeply impressed by the beauty of her work, and my skills and interest in nature photography blossomed over the years. When I suggested that her photos would be enhanced if they could be matted and framed, Sister Noemi agreed, and my work with matting and framing was launched. My shop, "Scholastica Framing and Photography," is now well-equipped, and I provide services for the Monastery, individual Sisters, our sponsored institutions, and numbers of others to whom my work has been recommended.

Though my life is certainly different from the one I planned for myself as a young woman, it has been rich and rewarding.

Rev. John Whitney Evans Fund

Before his death in 2001, Rev. John Whitney Evans planned to create a fund to financially assist men and women who choose to pursue a vocation to either the priesthood or to religious life. As a memorial to Father Evans, the Knights of Columbus, assisted by the Bishop of the Diocese of Duluth and the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery, established a memorial fund to support vocation expenses.

As you know, young people who believe they may have a vocation find that there are many expenses when they first begin. Initially, when they leave the world of work, they are responsible for their own health care and personal expenses. The Rev. John Whitney Evans Vocation Fund supports these men and women who are discerning their calling to a religious vocation.

The memorial board is located at St. Scholastica Monastery, and the Fund is administered by the Sisters. The names of your loved ones and your name will be engraved on a plaque and installed on a lovely six-foot wooden memorial board located next to the Monastery's vocation ministry offices. Donations are \$100 for each plaque.

If you are interested in supporting this fund, please fill out the form below. Whether or not you are able to participate financially in this project, we ask you to please join us in praying for men and women who are called to religious life or to the priesthood.



Rev. John Whitney Evans Vocation Fund

Please accept my donation of \$100

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Mission

We, the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery, Duluth, Minnesota, are monastic women who seek God in community through a life of prayer and work. Living in accordance with the Gospel and the *Rule of St. Benedict*, we respond to the needs of the Church and the world through our ministries.

During the past year Sisters have served in the following ministries:

Architectural Services, Duluth/Regional
Benedictine Center of Spirituality, Duluth, MN
Benedictine Health Center, Duluth, MN
Benedictine Health System, Duluth, MN
Cathedral School, Superior, WI
Chandler Regional Medical Center & Mercy
Gilbert Medical Center, Chandler, AZ
CHUM (Churches United in Ministry), Duluth, MN
College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN
Essentia Health System, Duluth, MN
Home Care, Tacoma, WA
McCabe Renewal Center, Duluth, MN
Most Holy Trinity Parish, Phoenix, AZ
Music Ministry, Local Churches
Parochial and Public Schools, Duluth, MN

Pastoral Ministry, Phoenix, Scottsdale, and
Anthem, AZ
Saint Luke Institute, Silver Spring, MD
St. Ann's Residence, Duluth, MN
St. Lawrence and St. Joseph Parishes, Duluth, MN
St. Mary of the Lake School, Chicago, IL
St. Mary's/Duluth Clinic Health System,
Duluth, MN
St. Scholastica Monastery, Duluth, MN
St. Thomas the Apostle School, Phoenix, AZ
Spiritual Direction Training/Formation,
St. Scholastica Monastery, Duluth, MN
Transcultural Nursing Society, Livonia, MI
Westwood Senior Living, Duluth, MN