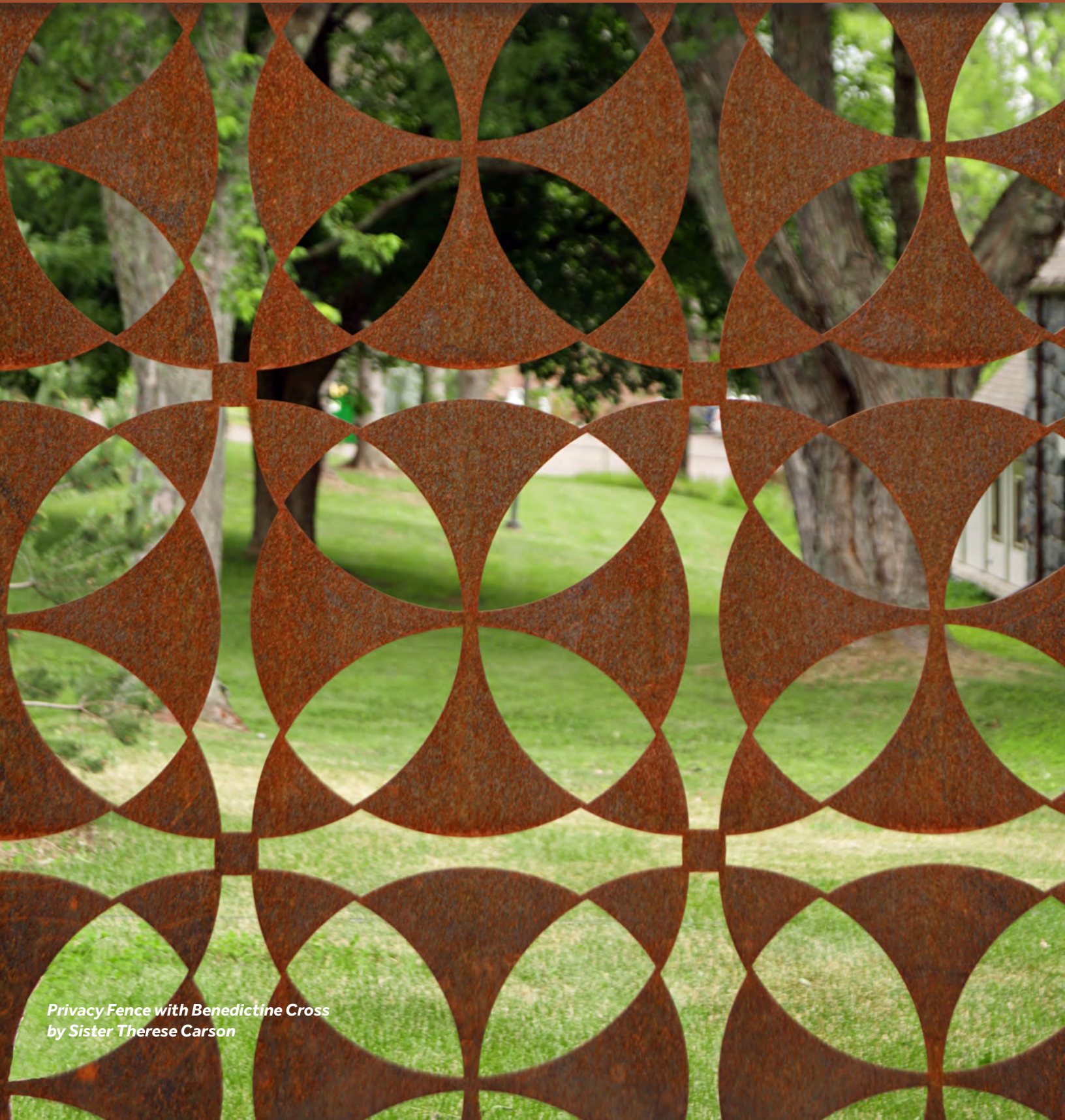




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Dear Friends of the Monastery,

As we reflect on the past year, we are filled with gratitude for your generous, unwavering support. Your contributions have sustained our mission and empowered the Sisters to continue ministry outside the Monastery and within our community.

Each donation you have made, whether large or small, has made a tangible difference in the lives of those we serve. Your gifts support our programs and initiatives, allowing us to help, guide, and give hope to those in need. You help provide care for our elderly Sisters and nurture the spiritual growth of our community. Your generosity has touched every aspect of our mission. We also appreciate the invaluable role played by our volunteers this fiscal year, with more than 11,000 hours of service. Your selfless dedication and tireless efforts are the backbone of our organization, enabling us to extend our reach in ways we never thought possible. Whether lending a helping hand at events, offering companionship to our residents on Benet Hall, or sharing your expertise and talents, your contributions have been nothing short of extraordinary.



Sister Beverly Raway

In August, we will celebrate the remarkable milestones of our 75-, 70- and 60-year Jubilarians: Sister Annella Wagner with 75 years of service, Sister Kathleen Hofer with 70 years, and Sisters Lois Ann Glaudel and Mary Susan Dewitt with 60 years. Their profiles are featured in the following pages. We also remember our beloved +Sister Theresa Jodocy, who would have celebrated her 70-year Jubilee, and +Sister Arlene Kleemann, whose obituary is included in this Report. Sister Theresa and Sister Arlene, you remain forever in our prayers and hearts.

We are pleased to present our fiscal 2023-24 annual report, which reflects the incredible impact of your generosity. We received a total of 864 contributions, including gifts from 71 first-time donors, amounting to \$420,739.46. Your contributions have supported a wide range of vital initiatives.

Community Support:	\$324,007.27
Retirement:	\$9,629.17
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McCabe Renewal Center:	\$1,392.62
Vocations/Father John Whitney Evans Fund:	\$1,283.33
Twinning Monasteries/St. Scholastica School, Tanzania, Sister Gaudensia:	\$33,422.80
Matching Gifts Campaign:	\$20,104.95
Other (designation by donor):	\$10,089.60
Total:	\$420,739.46

As we move forward, we are inspired to make a positive difference in the world. Your support fuels our passion and strengthens our resolve to serve others with love and kindness. Together, we are transforming lives and building a brighter future for all. Thank you for your generosity, kindness, and dedication. We are grateful for your continuing partnership in our mission.

Blessings and peace,

Sister Beverly

Sister Beverly Raway, Prioress

Mark your calendar for our annual Donor Open House on Sunday, September 22, 2024. Invitations will be sent out later this summer. We look forward to seeing you there.

Sister Annella Wagner, 75 years

When Amelia Wagner had complications during a pregnancy in 1929, she prayed to Sister Annella Zervas, a Benedictine who had died three years earlier. She gave birth to a healthy daughter and named her Annella.

Annella grew up on a farm near Lastrup, Minnesota, one of five children born to Ted and Amelia Wagner. Her father's family were German immigrants and she first learned to pray in German. The local towns were named after early missionaries – Lastrup, Pierz, and Buh – and life centered on the liturgies and socials of the parish church. At Annella's First Communion in 1938, the presider asked for a priest and a nun to come from her class, and she thought, "That will be me."

She attended public grade school through eighth grade and then worked on the farm for a year. "I proved a very incapable farmhand, especially when it came to milking cows." In 1944 she took a bus to Brainerd to work at St. Joseph Hospital, first in the laundry and then in the kitchen with a Benedictine Sister from Duluth. Mother Athanasius Braegelman came to interview her, saw her potential, and offered her a full scholarship to attend Stanbrook Hall High in Duluth as an aspirant to religious life. She entered the Community as postulant in 1947 while still completing her high school degree and was given the name Sister Leonore.

In 1949 she made her first monastic profession and was sent to be a cook at McCabe Guest Home for retired men and women (which later became the McCabe Renewal Center), to learn all aspects of quantity food service under the guidance of Sister Louise Seuer. "On Sunday mornings we would have Mass in the chapel, then get dinner started, and attend Holy Hour to thank God for the graces of the past week and pray for the next week." She spent two happy years there, and then was sent to Mary Hill Academy in Aitkin, a grade school, to be cook and housekeeper for the teaching Sisters there during the 1951-1952 school year.

After Final Profession in 1952, she was assigned to the Villa main kitchen that served the Sisters, the Stanbrook Hall and The College of St. Scholastica resident students, guests, and employees. The Benedictine Sisters trained

and guided her in learning menu planning, purchasing, preparation, production, and service. One summer she helped a Sister cook in Chicago, and another at St. Mary's Convent in Duluth.

In 1957 she was sent to St. James Orphanage in Duluth and then to various parish convents for a few months at a time. In 1958 she was

assigned to St. Joseph's Hospital in Brainerd as Food Services Director. "Sister Adeline Zollar in Brainerd sent me to summer workshops at Fontbonne College in St. Louis where I learned how to prepare special diets and menus, purchase food, and manage employees. I joined professional organizations for food service directors, attended meetings, and learned from experienced leaders and peers within the industry. It gave me the confidence to be creative while keeping patients well-nourished and happy."

In 1979 she happily resumed her baptismal name as Sister Annella, and in 1980 was assigned to the new Monastery kitchen and the Benedictine Health Center as Food Services Director where she established menus, policies and procedures, and personnel practices. In 1991 she was assigned to Benet Hall as Resident Assistant to manage the needs of the infirm Sisters. She retired in 2017.

Now she lives on Benet Hall, keeping active with many projects. When asked how she handled all the changes, she replied, "I think of Jesus telling Peter, 'When you are old you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go' (John 21:18). I've tended the sheep and fed the flock, and now I'm waiting for the Shepherd to take me home."

***"Receive me, O Lord, according to your word
and I shall live, and do not fail me in my hope."
(from the Suscipe)***



Sister Annella Wagner

Sister Kathleen Hofer, 70 Years

Sister Kathleen Hofer was born in Grand Forks, North Dakota, and grew up in the small town of Michigan City, North Dakota, where her father was a banker. She was active in all school activities and was a lover of sports. She entered St. Scholastica Monastery in January 1953 while a sophomore in college and made first vows in July 1954. As was common for newly professed Sisters at that time, she began teaching in elementary schools in the Diocese of Duluth. For the next seven years she taught various grades in Duluth, Brainerd, and Aitkin, Minnesota.

Sister Kathleen received her bachelor's degree from The College of St. Scholastica with majors in Medical Record Administration and Psychology. After completing an MBA with a major in Health-care Administration from George Washington University, she began her extensive and successful career in health care.

As an assistant and associate professor at The College of St. Scholastica, Sister Kathleen served as chair of the Medical Record Administration Department and subsequently as the first chair of the Division of Health Sciences. She was also active professionally in the Minnesota and American Medical Record Associations, serving as President of each. She was active in the



Sister Kathleen Hofer

International Congress on Medical Records and participated in international meetings around the world.

Sister Kathleen has been a leader in health care in Duluth since the early 1980's, serving at various times as the CEO of the Benedictine Health System and for 15 years as CEO of St. Mary's Medical Center. She served as Board Chair of the Benedictine Health System, St. Mary's Medical Center/St. Mary's Hospital of

Superior, the SMDC Health System (of which she was a major founder), and Essentia Health East. In Minnesota she served on the boards of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota and the Minnesota Hospital Association. She also was an active member of many other civic and health-care organizations at the local and state levels. Sister Kathleen's leadership in health care during years of phenomenal change and challenges has earned her broad recognition.

Active as a Benedictine Sister of St. Scholastica Monastery, Sister Kathleen has served as Prioress, Treasurer, and as a member of the Monastic Council and the BSBA Board. She also served for more than 25 years on the Board of Trustees of The College of St. Scholastica.

Sister Lois Ann Glaudel, 60 Years

What life and joy Sister Lois Ann Glaudel brings to her vocation as a Duluth Benedictine Sister! Margaret Ann Glaudel was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota to parents Roland and Lois in 1944. The seeds of faith were first planted in Margaret and her sisters Catherine and Mary by their parents. Margaret attended Our Lady of Victory (OLV) School in North Minneapolis where she graduated from 8th grade. It was at OLV where she first met the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery who were her teachers.

In a turning point in Margaret's childhood, Sister Prudentia Moran came from Duluth to Minneapolis to talk to the school children about vocations. After this, Margaret decided that she wanted to attend high school at Stanbrook Hall in Duluth. By the time she graduated

from high school she knew God was calling her to be a Sister.

Margaret entered the Community as a postulant in 1962, and in 1963 became a novice and was given the name Sister Lois Ann in honor of her mother. In 1968 she took her final vows as a Sister. Sister Lois Ann graduated with a degree in Elementary Education from The College of St. Scholastica. She had always wanted to teach children and this dream became a reality. Her first teaching position was at St. Leo's in Hibbing, Minnesota where she taught second grade.



Sister Lois Ann Glaudel

Early in her teaching career, Sister Lois Ann was blessed to learn from other Benedictine teachers at Catholic schools in Hibbing, Brainerd, and Pine City. She learned to play the guitar and this helped her to prepare second grade students for their first Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. She played and sang for the children’s liturgies.

Then in 1981, Sister Lois Ann was blessed to go to Chicago where she spent 42 years teaching and ministering at Catholic schools in the Windy City. Sister Lois Ann, along with Sister Arlene Kleemann, formed a strong community with the people of St. Timothy’s Parish and School and with children and families at St. Mary of the Lake School. At St. Mary of the Lake, Sister Lois Ann made friends with those who had immigrated from Nigeria, Eritrea, Ethiopia, and other African countries. With Sister Arlene, she organized food drives and collected school supplies and clothing to help them adjust to a new country.

After they retired from teaching at St. Mary of the Lake, she and Sister Arlene were called back to St. Thomas of Canterbury School where the children of recent immigrants needed them. Sister Lois Ann assisted the teachers in the classroom helping children learn English, reading, and math.

In August 2023 Sister Lois Ann returned to the Monastery and now serves as an advisor to the Oblate Community, a receptionist at the information desk, and in prayer and community ministry. She brings joy to the Sisters, staff, and friends through her positive attitude and ready smile. We are grateful to have her here again after a lifetime of service to God’s children.

“Community, family, friends, and former students have always been important to me. God has blessed me in so many ways.”
~ Sister Lois Ann Glaudel

Sister Mary Susan Dewitt, 60 Years

Betty Ellen Dewitt was born in Wisconsin into a family of 13 children – in a home with one bathroom! From an early age she was aware of the feeling that she was searching for something, but what? In 1961 she came to Duluth to study Nursing at The College of St. Scholastica, hoping to find meaning and direction for her life. Filled with longing for God and attracted to the Community of warm, lively Benedictine Sisters, she entered St. Scholastica Priory in her sophomore year. Taking the name Mary Susan, she made her first monastic profession in 1964, graduated with a BA in Nursing, and made her final profession in 1968.

In 1967 she was sent as a missionary nurse to Antofagasta, Chile, to run a one-person clinic in a poor neighborhood, the only clinic for 35,000 residents. She learned Spanish rapidly and fell in love with the Chilean people, admiring their goodness, spontaneity, and faith and sharing in their poverty – but struggled with her own relationship with God, which she found too weak to help her in her work. She didn’t want to preach and was uncomfortable praying with people.

Then she made a charismatic retreat and was transformed. It filled her with the Holy Spirit and anchored her life in the heart of God. She took to praying with almost all her patients and saw miracles of healing and life changes. And she learned to play the guitar, bringing depth and joy to her prayer life and enriching the life of her parish, Salar del Carmen, where she played and sang regularly at Mass.

In her middle years in Chile, she was engulfed by the life-threatening and chilling revolution of Pinochet and his army against the legally and freely elected Salvador Allende. It began with bombs going off on the hillside behind her house and cars patrolling the streets at night with loudspeakers warning, “Attention! Anyone found on the streets at night after curfew will be shot on sight!” And they were. She suffered with the people whose husbands and sons became *desaparecidos* – captured and killed by the army. Grief was rampant. “God was good to allow this after my life-changing encounter with the Holy Spirit, who encouraged me and helped me strengthen and console my people with the same Spirit, beyond human powers.”

Twelve years later, Sister Mary Susan was called home to Duluth where, deeply homesick for the people and culture of Chile but filled with hope, she began Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) at St. Mary’s Medical Center, which gave her the grounding and inspiration for a new ministry as chaplain. For 37 years she served the Benedictine Living Community next door to the Monastery, bringing God’s love to all but especially to the residents. She called her ministry “Presence in the hall and along the way,” becoming the face of Christ to everyone she met: residents, staff, family, visitors. Every day she saw the Holy Spirit moving in her Community, in her place of ministry, and in her own life. “Praise be to God!”



Sister Mary Susan Dewitt

Perpetual Monastic Profession of Sister Jayne Erickson, OSB

by Sister Therese Carson, OSB

After years as youth and children's minister and elementary school teacher in Minnesota and Iowa, Jayne Erickson joined us as a live-in associate in 2017, a welcome addition to our ministries and our common life. After discerning a vocation, she entered as postulant in 2019 and in 2021 made her First Monastic Profession. For the next three years, under the wise guidance of Sister Donna Schroeder, she deepened her spirituality and studied Scripture and the Rule of St. Benedict to embody it in thought, word, and action. She also completed studies to become a Life Coach, explaining, "I want to help people explore where and how God is calling them, by raising the awareness of what is deep inside each and every one of us." In her internal ministries she helps plan liturgies and enriches our Common Prayer with her sacred hymns.



Sister Jayne Erickson

On July 11, 2024, the Feast of St. Benedict, in the presence of Bishop Daniel Felton of the Duluth Diocese, Prioress Beverly Raway, diocesan priests Fr. Tom Foster, Fr. Seamus Walsh, and Fr. William Fider, Fr. Corbin Eddy our resident chaplain, Pastor Dan Munson from Andover, Minnesota, many friends and family members, and the Sisters of this Community, Sister Jayne made her Perpetual Monastic Profession. As she entered the Chapel, she paused and sang her hymn about her chosen life, called *I Am Yours, Lord*:

"I am Yours, Lord, heart, mind, and soul. Love is my aim and Heaven my goal / To be in Your presence, to see Your sweet face, to walk side by side, Lord, to know Your embrace. / Make me Your vessel that I may bring healing where people are broken and long to be whole. / Filled with Your Spirit, transformed by Your grace, make me Your vessel, live through me today."

After the Readings, Sister Donna Schroeder as Director of Formation called Sister Jayne forward to request perpetual profession as a Benedictine in this Community. Prioress Sister Beverly Raway honored her request and the Community responded in praise and thanks to God.

Bishop Daniel spoke briefly of the life to which Sister Jayne had been called, and she responded with her resolve to follow Christ and to strive to abide in him though a life-long commitment to the monastic way of life, ending with trust that the grace of God, the love of Christ, and the gift of the Spirit will make possible what she cannot do for herself. She then prostrated herself before the altar while we sang the Litany of the Saints.

Sister Jayne then read to all present her written vows, in which she promised to embrace stability to this Community, fidelity to the monastic way of life, and obedience. Placing it on the altar she signed it, followed by the Prioress, the Director of Formation, and her two witnesses Sister Theresa Spinler and Sister Marie Therese Poliquin. Then facing the Community, she intoned three times the *Suscipe* from Psalm 119, verse 116: "Receive me, O Lord, according to your word and I shall live, and do not fail me in my hope," to which the Sisters responded, "We have received, O Lord, your mercy in the midst of your temple." This plea to God is sung at each Sister's Profession and will be sung again at her funeral, a cry of life-long reliance on the providential care of God.

Then Sister Beverly placed a monastic ring on Sister Jayne's finger, one worn by many Sisters in turn before her, as she became the latest in a long line of Benedictine women which began in the sixth century with the founding of the Benedictine Order and continued in America in 1852. May God bless her in her vocation and help her continue to be a blessing to all whom she encounters.



Sister Jayne intones the Suscipe

Sister Arlene (Georgemarie) Kleemann, OSB

Sister Arlene (Georgemarie) Kleemann, 80, died peacefully at the Monastery on June 24, 2024, in her 61st year of monastic profession. Born January 2, 1944, to George and Evelyn (Heyden) Kleemann, she and her older brother George grew up in Chicago and attended St. Timothy Parish School. Sister Mary Martin Beringer, who taught 7th and 8th grade, invited Arlene and ten other seventh grade girls to visit the Benedictine motherhouse in Duluth. They had a riotous week, sneaking into the cloister and talking during the nightly Great Silence, but Arlene was in awe of the place: its beauty, peace, and tranquility. She kept in touch over summers with her teachers, visiting their convent and going with them on picnics, and was slowly drawn toward a religious vocation. In 1961 she entered St. Scholastica Monastery and, on becoming a novice the next year, she took the religious name Georgemarie to honor her father, though she eventually returned to her baptismal name.

Her relationship with the Sisters brought her to Duluth, but it was her growing prayer life that convinced her to stay, along with memorable characters such as Sister Elodie DeSmedt, who would tell the young Sisters, "Honeys, all you need is the Bible!" She made her first monastic profession in 1963 and her perpetual profession in 1966 and celebrated her 60th jubilee in 2023.

Sister Arlene earned a BA in Education and Music in 1966 from The College of St. Scholastica and was a beloved teacher and principal at St. James Elementary School in West Duluth for seven years. Next, she was sent to Chicago to her former home parish of St. Timothy as instructor and principal, and Sister Lois Ann Glauzel followed her there six years later as teacher. They became good friends. Sister Arlene taught at St. Timothy's for sixteen years in classrooms where once she had been an eager student. Sadly, after a long financial struggle, the Archdiocese had to merge seven schools into one and St. Timothy's closed.



Sister Arlene Kleemann

At St. Hilary School she again taught and was assistant principal for five years, then transferred to Pope John XXIII School in nearby Evanston for five more. During summer breaks, she attended Loyola University and in 1983 completed an MA in Pastoral Ministry.

Sisters Arlene and Lois Ann moved on to St. Mary of the Lake School just north of the Loop, where there were many children in great need of help, instruction, and love. Most were recent immigrants from around the world, many from Nigeria and

Ghana. The Sisters worked beside many compassionate volunteers to help the families adjust to a new culture. They provided them with school supplies, furniture, blankets, and winter clothing, and found pleasure watching them climb out of poverty. The families trusted them, knew they were in safe hands, and returned their love. Although many of the children were Muslim, they all prayed together every morning, at meals, and whenever a family member was sick. Prayer formed them into a loving and supportive community.

Teaching immigrant children took an enormous amount of energy and patience, but Sister Arlene drew out their innate curiosity and eagerness to learn. She once said, "No day is the same. I love helping a child succeed and having them not want the school day to end." She was filled with joy, singing and making jokes, in love with God and the children she taught. After retiring from St. Mary of the Lake, both Sisters helped at St. Thomas of Canterbury School, where the children had similar backgrounds and needs. Looking back over her years of helping children gain confidence, Sister Arlene said, "God brought me where He wanted me to be and that is enough."

In 2023, Sister Arlene returned to Duluth with Sister Lois Ann. She is greatly missed by her friend Sister Lois Ann, her brother George (Sandi) Kleemann, a niece, two nephews, many close friends, and the Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery.

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A Message from Lisa Roseth, Director of Development and Public Relations

As a cherished supporter of the St. Scholastica Monastery, you have played a pivotal role in our ability to serve our Community and uphold our missions of compassion and spiritual enrichment. Your generosity has touched countless lives, and for that we are profoundly grateful. You enable us to:



Lisa Roseth

Support Our Sisters: Contributions help provide for the daily needs and well-being of our Sisters, ensuring they can continue their vital work.

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Thank you for considering this opportunity to leave a lasting legacy of love, compassion, and service. Your support ensures that the work of the Benedictine Sisters of St. Scholastica Monastery continues to enrich the lives of others for years to come.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Lisa A. Roseth
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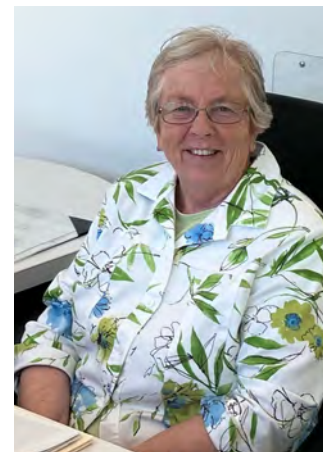
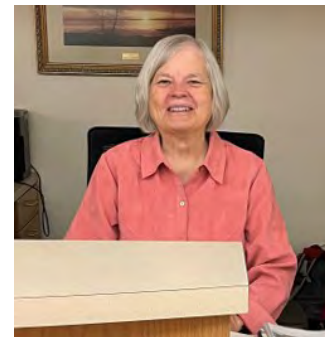
The Vital Role of Volunteers at St. Scholastica Monastery

We want to take a moment to highlight the immense importance of volunteers to St. Scholastica Monastery. Your generous contribution of time and talents plays a crucial role in the life and work of our community.

Volunteers help us in numerous ways, including:

Supporting Our Ministries: Volunteers work beside us in community outreach, education, healthcare, spiritual direction, and social advocacy, enabling us to extend our reach and impact more lives.

Enhancing Daily Operations: From administrative tasks to event planning, volunteers help with the essential day-to-day operations of the Monastery. These include answering phones and greeting visitors at the hospitality desks, assisting Sisters with appointments as driver or companion, staffing Monastery Books and Gifts, participating as lectors or musicians in liturgies, organizing the annual Fall Bazaar – everything you do helps the Monastery run smoothly and efficiently.



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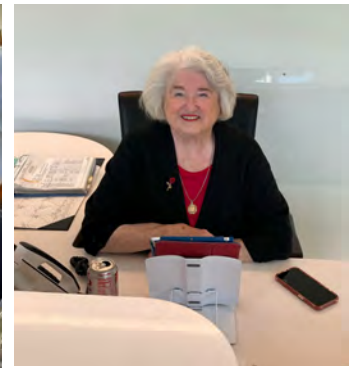


Providing Companionship and Care: Volunteers offer companionship and care to our Sisters, enriching their lives with meaningful interactions and support, and bringing them joy.

Special Projects and Events: Whether it's helping to organize retreats, workshops, or fundraising events, volunteers bring energy and creativity to our special projects, making them memorable.

Maintaining Our Facilities: Volunteers assist with maintaining and beautifying our gardens, grounds, and buildings, creating a welcoming environment for all who visit.

The dedication and compassion of our volunteers are invaluable to our mission. Your selfless service helps us to continue our work and enhances the lives of everyone in our community.



If you would like to share your time with the Sisters as a volunteer, please contact Lisa Roseth, Director of Development and Public Relations, at 218.723.6540 or lisaroseth@duluthsb.org.





Discover Unique Treasures at Our Gift Shop

At St. Scholastica Monastery Books and Gifts, you can find a beautiful selection of religious and inspirational gifts perfect for every occasion. Located on the first floor of Stanbrook Hall of our serene monastery, our shop offers a range of items designed to uplift and inspire, including:

- **Religious Items:** Rosaries, crucifixes, and icons made with care and devotion.
- **Books and Media:** Inspirational books, prayer guides, and spiritual music to deepen your faith. We carry books for the Center for Spirituality and Enrichment's discussion groups and can order special titles.
- **Jewelry and Accessories:** Medals, bracelets, and other meaningful adornments.
- **Home decor:** Handmade candles by Sister Mary Josephine Torborg, statues, and artwork to bring a touch of serenity to your space.
- **Seasonal gifts:** Special items for Christmas, Easter, and other religious holidays.
- **A wide variety of greeting cards**

Come and explore our unique selection in a peaceful and welcoming environment. Whether you're looking for a special gift or a personal keepsake, the St. Scholastica Monastery Books and Gift Shop has something for everyone. Every purchase supports the mission and ministries of the Community.

For your convenience, there is ample parking available in front of Stanbrook and the Chapel. Please enter through the main door to access the shop. We look forward to welcoming you.

Hours of Operation: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, 1:00 to 3:30 pm.

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For more info, call (218) 723-7009 or visit duluthbenedictines.org/monastery-books-and-gifts/

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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.

Donations to the Monastery provide funds allowing Sisters to continue various missions and the opportunity to do beautiful work. Thank you for helping the Sisters serve in the following ministries:

Administration	Music
Advocacy	Office and Secretarial Ministry
Architecture	Pastoral Care
Creative Arts (art, writing, photography, icon writing)	Peace and Justice Ministry
Development Ministry	Photography
Education	Public Speaking
Governance	Prayer Ministry
Hospitality	Renewal/Retreat Ministry
Health Care	Spiritual Direction Ministry
Maintenance of gardens/ woodland	Sponsorship
	Telephone Ministry
	Vocation Ministry