

### **Sister Mary Christine Winterhalter**

On September 8, 1961, Sister Christine Winterhalter entered the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Divine Child. As a postulant, S. Chris first attended St. Joseph's Teacher's College and then transferred to Daemen College earning her Bachelor's Degree in Religious Studies graduating with Magna Cum Laude honors. Several years later she felt drawn to helping young people, and earned her Youth Minister Certification at Canisius College.

Teaching Religion for over forty-eight years has helped S. Chris grow closer to our Lord while ministering to many individuals. In the Mayville, Batavia and Jamestown mission houses, she had the opportunity to train and work with the lay teachers. At Cardinal O'Hara High School, Villa Maria Academy and St. Mary's High School in Lancaster, she had the opportunity to work with youth serving in a variety of different capacities as teacher, associate principal, campus minister and department chairperson. S. Chris also served in several leadership roles within the FMDC community as Local House Minister, Vocation and Formation Director and First Assistant to our General Minister.

During her leisure time, S. Chris likes to have fun and attend parties. She also enjoys cards, puzzles, sports and an occasional night out that includes dinner and a movie with her friends.