

Anne McGinn

Jubilarian 70 years in religious life (1952-2022) 37 years in SFCC (1985-2022)

At age 22, Anne entered the Discalced Carmel Monastery in Detroit, Michigan and remained with them for the next 22 years. During that time, she served as music director, organist, novice mistress and sub-prioress. She

left the cloister in 1971; and with two other former Carmelites, established a non-canonical affiliation with the Carmel Monastery of Reno, Nevada. However, maintaining contact with the Reno group proved difficult. She heard about Lillanna Kopp's new community that permitted women to leave their present congregation yet continue living their vows without the detailed supervision of daily life by appointed superiors. Anne made contact in 1984. She renewed her vows at the 1985 Assembly and was formally admitted into SFCC membership.

Together with Pat McCarthy, long time companion in community and ministry, and the other SFCCs in the Detroit Region, Anne hosted the Assembly in 1996.

Anne's ministry centered around music. She earned a degree in music education and organ performance, specializing in organ performance and music education, especially teaching Gregorian chant. Masters degree in parish ministry. Over the years, she ministered as parish musician, cantor and classroom teaching music, director of RCIA program (preparing adult candidates to become Roman Catholics), training liturgists, supervising liturgical preparations, facilitating bible study groups, and sacrament preparation with parents of young children.

Anne continues to be inspired by the great variety of ministries present within SFCC. It encourages her to strive, even in aging, to do the best she can for God and those with whom she lives and works. *submitted by the SFCC archives*