

# *Sister M. Germaine Beganskis*

*June 21, 1912 – May 17, 2001*



*Secular Name:* Mary Beganskis  
*Entrance:* August 11, 1928  
*Place of Birth:* Rochester NY  
*Parents:* Dominic and Anna  
*Siblings:* Sylvester, Peter, Joseph, Francis

*Elementary School:* Holy Redeemer School  
Rochester NY

*High School:* St. Francis Academy  
Pittsburgh PA

*Higher Education:* Duquesne University  
*Degrees:* Bachelor in Education  
*Certification:* High School English,  
Theology

## *Ministry:*

Sister M. Germaine Beganskis began her teaching career in primary grades. She was soon assigned to the junior high level. Her final three years of teaching were at the secondary level where she excelled.

In 1956 she was assigned to a very different teaching role – that of Formation Director. It was in this capacity that Sister M. Germaine may well have had her greatest and most lasting impact.

Sister M. Germaine held other prominent positions in the community. She served on the General Council for many years while simultaneously holding, at various times, the positions of Assistant to the Mother General, Econome General, and Local Motherhouse Superior. Following her many years of Motherhouse service, Sister moved into hospital ministry both in Alton and Mt. Vernon IL. She returned to the Motherhouse in 1990 and served there until 1994 when the limitations of age and infirmity curtailed her activities.

*“Love the Lord, your God, with all your heart and  
with all your strength.”*