

## *Sister Miriam McGuire, SSND - 75 Year Jubilee!*



Miriam McGuire was born in Medford, Massachusetts, on August 5, 1923, the third child of Mr. Thomas James McGuire and Mrs. Teresa McAvaney McGuire. She met the School Sisters of Notre Dame when she started school at the Immaculate Conception Grammar School, taught by SSND. In September 1941, she graduated from Girls' Catholic High School in Malden where the School Sisters supervised the teaching. She entered the SSND Candidature after completing high school and received the bonnet in the convent chapel on August 28, 1941.

Sister Miriam wrote in her autobiography at that time, "At Christmas time, because of illness, I returned home for a rest. I returned on August 28, 1942. I have spent two years in the Candidature during which time I have been a student in the Normal School. My vocation was discovered as a result of a Novena made to our Blessed Mother. I have an ardent desire to receive the Holy Habit. I entered this Congregation because I felt a special calling to this particular one, and I hope, with the grace of God, to be a faithful daughter of Notre Dame."

*Sister Miriam began her ministry in 1945 at St. Patrick School in Glen Cove, New York where she taught for nearly twenty years. She then served as an educator at Bishop Kearney High School in Rochester for more than ten years. From 1975 - 2006, Sister Miriam ministered as a teacher at St. Francis of Assisi Junior High in New Britain, Connecticut and then ministered in prayer and presence at St. Francis Parish. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Latin in 1955 from Manhattan College - Riverdale.*