

## Curriculum Vitae

### **Sister Juanita Marie Gonzales S.C.**

1959 – Graduated from Nursing School as an LPN.

February 2, 1960 – Entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, Ohio.

1961 – Back Injury.

1962 to 1964 – Went to the College of Mount St. Joseph.

1964 – Earned a degree in teaching

1964 to 1967 – Taught 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students at Shrine of the little Flower in Detroit, Michigan

1967 to 1969 – Taught 4<sup>th</sup> grade students at St. Mary's in Jackson, Michigan

1969 to 1994 – I was at Holy Cross in Lansing, Michigan

1. Taught all grades
2. 1976 – Began a program at the University of Notre Dame for a degree in Administration. Completed the program in four summers.
3. 1976 – I was the Principal at Holy Cross Elementary School and remained the Administrator for 17 years. (I was the first Latina Administrator in the Public and Private Systems)
4. 1976 – I was also the Director of the Religious Education program, grades K to 12, at Holy Cross Parish for the next ten years.

Important experiences I had while in Lansing:

1. I was on call at the Catholic Hospital when an interpreter was needed for immigrants from Mexico or Latin America patients.
2. I was the interpreter for a gentleman from Argentina who was seriously injured at work. He won the case and was able to get compensation for his injuries.
3. I was given the Power of Attorney for a friend who committed suicide (a man from Mexico in the process of getting resident papers for himself and his family). He killed himself in the hospital after several unfortunate incidents. I was able to get a very good lawyer. We won the case and were able to get a good settlement for his wife and two sons.

I don't remember the year, but I was part of a study group that traveled to Nicaragua during the Revolution to see what was really happening. Later a young lady from there came to live with me as she was in danger in her Country.

1984 – Castro sent many Cubans out of the Country to the USA. I spent that summer at Fort Smith, Arkansas helping to find relatives for the 20,000 Cubans that were housed at the Fort. I was also assigned to work with the many young teens that were in the group.

1995 – I joined 8 other Religious Women and traveled to Warsaw, Poland to teach English to Polish Sister.

1996 to 2002 – I taught in a small village in Poland, teaching English in an all girls Culinary Boarding School. I lived with the Polish Sisters

2004 to Present – I have been ministering at San Isidro Parish in Santa Fe, NM as the Director of the Faith Formation Program among other duties.