

Sister Margaret Duffy ministers in a rural parish serving 1,000 families through six worship sites, encompassing 500 square miles in parts of four counties. She believes contemplation, compassion and justice support one another. Contemplating scripture is important to her because she cannot give what she does not have. Fidelity to prayer is vital in working with small base Christian communities where parishioners learn to pray the scriptures and help one another connect them to the Cross, the sacraments and justice to the poor. Compassion is partnered with many justice areas, especially when she sees the many farmers who have food and shelter but no income. Knowing many people in rural areas do not have health insurance challenges her to take time to write and speak on their behalf. There are only two women religious in all of Wayne, Ashland and Medina counties. Sister Margaret Duffy feels privileged to be one of them. to people.