

BROTHER JOSEPH MARKEL *Celebrating 50 years of Profession*

I was born August 3, 1954, in Euclid, OH. I took my first vows on September 8, 1973, in Dayton, OH. I received a BA in English from the University of Dayton and a Master of Science in administration from the University of Notre Dame. For 14 years, I was a high school teacher in Memphis, Kalamazoo, and Cincinnati. I served as the director of operations at Bergamo Center for three years and assistant treasurer for Cincinnati Province for five years. Since then, I have served as the Provincial Assistant for Temporalities.

It's hard to believe that 50 years have come and gone and that the last 25 were spent in the Temporalities Office. Working in the office, I have seen the tremendous good accomplished by our members and in our ministries.

I am grateful for the brothers with whom I have lived and worked. I am grateful for the opportunities to serve others. I thank God for my vocation and the grace of perseverance for the opportunity to serve Him in the life of the Church.