Newsletter Article – SSS Annual Dinner 2015

On Thursday, October 22nd, 2015 the Sisters of Social Service of Buffalo held what may be their final Annual Dinner. As they move on to serve God in ways better suited to their present lives, we celebrated the nearly seventy years of service they have given to our community and the service and ministry of women religious all over the world. Speaker Sr. Denise Roche, President of D'Youville College, helped to shine a light on these dedicated, faith-filled women with her talk on "Building God's Kingdom: the Legacy of Women Religious."

Sister Denise is a Buffalo native who entered the Grey Nuns in 1961. After completing her academic work in sociology and social work at D'Youville, she earned a Master's degree in sociology from Boston University and a Doctorate from the University of Massachusetts. She served as instructor, assistant professor, and associate dean of the D'Youville College before being named its president in 1979. Sr. Denise has also been a board member of a number of several public and non-profit organizations in the WNY area.

All who attended this very special Annual Dinner, were so pleased to have this vibrant, passionate woman religious speak to us about the legacy of all Women Religious and their lives right here in our own community.