

Sister Trinie Pangelinan

Motto: Glory to the Trinity

Sister Trinie Pangelinan, born Trinidad Taitano Pangelinan, is the eighth of 14 children of Jose and Maria Pangelinan. She celebrates her 50th Golden Jubilee as a Sister of Mercy this year.

Sister Trinie first entered the community in August of 1964 and taught at Santa Barbara Catholic school. After a year of teaching, she went back to school and earned her bachelor's degree in Social work at the University of Guam in 1971. She began working at the Department of Public Health and Social Services. Soon after, Sister Trinie briefly left the community and joined her family in California. She furthered her education at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and earned her master's degree in Social work in 1975. She returned to the community in 1978 and started working for the Government of Guam.

Sister Trinie continued her ministry in Social Work and expanded her resume through the years. She continued her work for the Government of Guam for 11 years, eight years with the Archdiocesan Family and Youth Ministry. She served as Director of Incorporation. She chaired the Social Justice Committee and Communications Team of the Sisters of Mercy on Guam. She served as Co-Spiritual Director for the Couples for Christ movement, which she also helped found in 1995 in the Archdiocese of Agana. She was a founding member of the "Rainbows for All God's Children" group. She served as President for Mercy Action Marianas Ltd, a ministry that gives scholarships to Mercy Administered schools and helps with the economically poor people of Guam in cooperation with village mayors.

Her most cherished and memorable moments in her ministry was during her work with Rainbows for All God's Children. She loved working with the youth and helping abused and neglected children.

Sister Trinie serves as the Assistant Archivist for the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Guam. Sister remains actively involved in her love for the divine worship of God through singing with the Emmaus! choir which ministers at the Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral-Basilica and other choirs in need of beautiful voices to lift the prayer of humanity to the Holy Triune God.

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