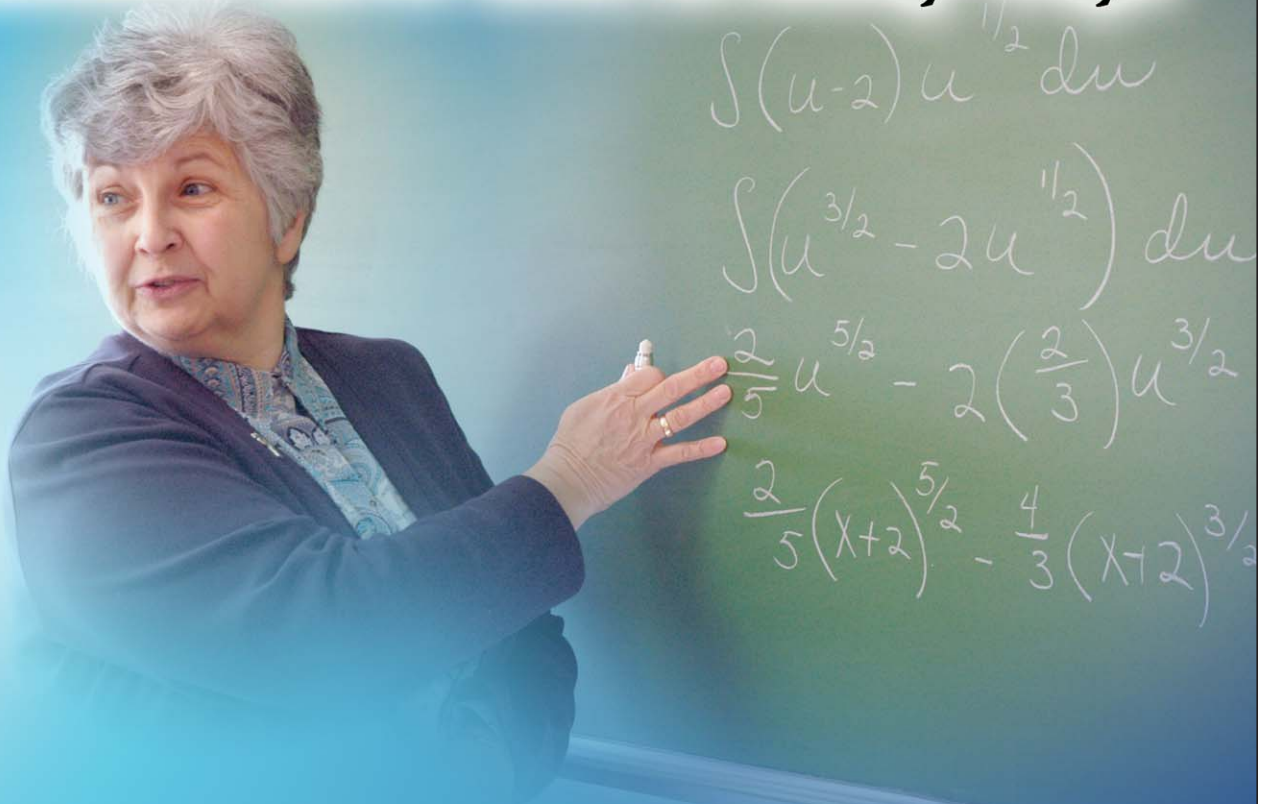


Oldenburg Franciscans serve God in many ways



Oldenburg Franciscan Sister Monica Zore teaches calculus classes at Marian College in Indianapolis, which was founded by the Congregation of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis in 1936 in Oldenburg and relocated to Indianapolis in 1937.



Franciscan Sisters Ann Marie Quinn, left, and Joan Miller examine the body of a hawk preserved for education programs at the congregation's Michaela Farm in Oldenburg on Nov. 15. Sister Ann Marie is the director of programming and public relations at the farm and Sister Joan is the vocations director for the community.



Franciscan Sister Marie Nett pets a beefalo, which is part steer and part buffalo, on Nov. 15 at Michaela Farm in Oldenburg. Sister Marie is responsible for the gardens and animals at the sisters' organic farm.



Carrying the Eucharist, Franciscan Sister Evelyn Forthofer prepares to bring Communion to sisters living at St. Clare Hall, the health care facility at the motherhouse in Oldenburg, on Nov. 15.



Franciscan Sister Jannette Pruitt arranges an icon of St. Martin de Porres in front of the altar at St. Monica Church in Indianapolis before a feast day Mass there on Nov. 3. She ministers as director of religious education at St. Rita Parish in Indianapolis.



As president of Oldenburg Academy of the Immaculate Conception, Franciscan Sister Therese Gillman also finds time to teach a class on Nov. 15 about how to start a not-for-profit business.

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