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"Be faithful to your prayer life and have a sense of humor," says Sister Rita Polchin (*foreground*), a member of the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville, Pennsylvania. "That's my advice for a long, happy life." And, at age 87, she ought to know. Throughout nearly 70 years of religious life, this philosophy has served her well, especially as she ministered in Catholic schools. "One year I had a class of 54 students," she recalls with a smile, "but they were all good!" Like Sister Rita, the senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests shown here—and some 33,000 more across the nation—have offered their lives in service and prayer. They have educated the young, cared for the sick, and spoken for the oppressed. Many, including Sister Rita, continue to serve. Others need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care, medications, and other necessities. Please be generous.

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