## JUNE PRAYER FOR THE 150<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE SPRINGFIELD DOMINICANS

Holy Mystery, ever ancient and ever new, we come before you ever grateful for your guidance and protection as we minister to God's people for the life of the world. For the past 150 years we have worked in education in different capacities as we brought the good news to thousands of children and adults.

When summer arrived and it was time for a respite, we traveled to small towns and villages to teach Vacation Bible School where we sang, did crafts, and enjoyed God's creation, as we taught children how much God loved them. For the Sisters who were engaged in this ministry, we thank you Lord.

Some Sisters traveled to Oneida, Wisconsin to work with our Native brothers and sisters. They learned the traditions and walked and prayed to the beat of their drums. For the Sisters who engaged in this ministry, we thank you Lord.

Taking Census involved walking the streets in small towns and cities in the heat of the day, ringing door bells, and visiting with the occupants to talk to them about their Faith and involvement in their parishes. It was rewarding and fulfilling. For the Sisters who engaged in Census ministry, we thank you Lord.

The Tiny Tots Program was created to teach preschoolers during the summer months. Experiencing the joy of little children as they learned about Jesus was gift. For those Sisters engaged in this ministry, we thank you Lord.

Holy Mystery, your presence throughout each year has been tangible and grace filled. We walk with you as we continue the journey. AMEN.