

**Sr. Renae Hohensee, OSF** celebrated her profession of final vows as a Sister of St. Francis of the Holy Family on August 7, 2010 with community, family and friends during the 1:30 p.m. Liturgy at MSF Chapel. "You will have the Lord for an everlasting light. Isaiah 60:19.

Renae Hohensee is the daughter of Donald and Eleanor Hohensee of Pocahontas. She was very active in the Pocahontas parish and got to know Sr. Marge Staudt who ministered there. We often talked about Franciscan life and a call to service. We shared meals, fun times, had long talks, and we prayed together often. After seeking guidance in prayer and many conversations with Marge and others, Renae took her first steps in the direction of religious life.

During Renae's first year in community she did administrative service at Alverno Apartments in Dubuque. She attended the National Franciscan Common Novitiate in Joliet, Illinois in 2003 and 2004 and professed her first vows in 2005. She attended Briar Cliff University completing a degree in Business Administration and Theology. Renae later worked in the Human Rights office in Sioux City, Iowa, and has served as a volunteer in Honduras, New Orleans and Mississippi among others.

Sr. Renae is very grateful for these opportunities. She says, "All of these experiences were very formative in my life." They broadened my awareness of the struggles of poor and marginalized people in the world."