

Sr Gioan Linh Nguyen,fsp Daughters of St Paul

Born on January 22, 1968 in Nha Trang, Viet-Nam. She was nine years old when her family left Vietnam on April 30, 1977. They were the first "refugees" accepted in Japan. She made her First Communion before being sponsored to the United States by her uncles who settled in New Orleans since 1975.

One of seven children, she attended Alice Hart Elementary School and a semester at Edna Karr High in New Orleans before entering the Daughters of St Paul on July 10, 1984.

After graduation from high school in Boston, MA, she spent two years of Novitiate at the Mother House before making her First Profession of Vows.

Spending two years of mission in Charleston, SC, she went back to Boston to receive her B.A in Psychology and History at Emmanuel College in 1996. Sr Gioan also received a Master Certificate in Media Literacy from Los Angeles. Right after college, she went to Rome to study Italian and spent the next six months preparing herself for perpetual profession of vows. Before returning to the US, her group of sisters from 10 countries received a private Mass and audience with St John Paul II!

On the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul (January 25, 1997), Sr Gioan Linh professed her Perpetual Vows. As a religious sister, she has served as a Pauline evangelizer, PBM manager, Local and Regional Vocationist in Boston, Charleston, SC, Chicago, Alexandria, VA, New York/New Jersey, Hawaii, California, New Orleans!

While on retreat in 2019, she discovered an artistic flair and has been painting ever since! She strives to grow closer to the Spirit of the Living God and encourages others to discover his or her gifts! St John Paul II wrote: "The purpose of art is nothing less than the uplifting of the human spirit."



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