Diamond Jubilee

Entered February 2, 1950
Patricia Ann Donahoe
Theresa McNerney
Mary Janine Wolff

Entered September 8, 1950
Mary Rosemunda Besch
Jean Beste
Carol Cook
Suzanne Effinger
Rosalie Glänz
Audrey Juergens
Therese Mackin
Emelyn Malecki
Mary M O’Connor
Julie O’Neill
Mary Frances Reis
Joanne M Schneider
Terese Shinners
Catherina Walsh

Celebrating
70 years
of
faithful
BVM living

September 13, 2020
Mt. Carmel
Marian Hall Chapel

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Prelude to Necrology: *Love Goes On, verses 1 & 2*

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**Necrology of the Diamond Jubilee Sets**

**Response: BE WITH US.**

*February 2, 1950*  
S Clare Therese Champagne  
S Mary Claudette Glass  
S Rose Ann Weber  
S Therese Miller  
S Rosemary Shaughnessy  
S Ethel Dignan  
S Patricia O’Rourke

*September 8, 1950*  
S Patrice Malloy  
S Mary Ann Hartnett  
S Claire Rohrich  
S Maurine Fitzgerald  
S Gertrudine Kelley  
S Mary Ann Palumbo  
S Loretta Findysz

S Rosellen Koehler  
S Patricia Henry  
S Mary Ann Evans  
S Macarius Kuehn  
S Carmel Purcell  
S Mary Immacula  
DeVlieger

S Joan George  
S Marilyn May  
S Martana Blasovich  
S Maureen Whalen  
S Georgia Taylor  
S Patricia Griffin  
S Elaine Wojcik  
S Therese Frelo  
S Patricia Robinson

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Conclusion to Necrology: *Love Goes On, verse 6*
Reading from the Prophet Isaiah

You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth
and summoned from its far-off places,
you whom I have called my servant, whom I have chosen and will not cast off—
fear not, I am with you; do not be dismayed; I am your God.
I will strengthen you and help you, and uphold you with my right hand of justice.
Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine.
When you pass through the water, I will be with you;
when you walk through fire, the flames shall not consume you;
because you are precious in my eyes and glorious, and because I love you.
You are my witnesses, says the Lord, my servants whom I have chosen
to know and believe in me and understand that it is I.
I will pour out my spirit upon your offspring
and my blessing upon your descendants.
They shall spring up amid the verdure like poplars beside the flowing waters.
Responsorial Psalm: You Are Near
Dan Schutte

0 Lord, I know you are near, standing always at my side. You guard me from the foe, and you lead me in ways everlasting.

Reading from the BVM Constitutions

God, who is love, has called us to follow Jesus Christ as Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As women of the Church we are inspired and motivated by the vision and courage of Mary, the Mother of God, and of Mary Frances Clarke. Ours is a pioneer heritage enabling us to move into the future responsive to the Spirit speaking in the exigencies of the times. Throughout our history, we believe that God has called us to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ in community. A spirit of inner freedom, characteristic of Mary, Mother of the Church, and of Mary Frances Clarke, our foundress, continues to animate us. … In faithfulness to the tradition of Mary Frances Clarke, we serve the people of God by living the Gospel in the spirit of simplicity, humility and charity.

A word from our BVM heritage. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Renewal

MI 861

Gospel Reading from Luke 1

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, and the virgin’s name was Mary. Coming to her, he said, “Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God.” Mary said, “Behold, I am the handmaiden of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word.” Then the angel departed from her.

During those days Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth.
When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the holy Spirit, cried out, “Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

**Reflection:** Mary Ann Zollmann, BVM

**Profession of Faith: Nicene Creed**

**DEVOOTIONAL RENEWAL OF VOWS**

*All BVM Sisters join the Jubilarians in renewing their vows.*

As Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we are women who have been touched by God’s steadfast love.

In response to that love, we are moved to commit ourselves to a vowed life of faithfulness to the Lord, faithfulness to one another in community, faithfulness to God’s people, especially the poor.

Loving God, in union with Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit, we dedicate our lives to you as Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We renew our vows of consecrated celibacy, poverty and obedience lived in community with our sisters according to our Constitutions.

Aware of our individual and corporate limitations, we trust that you who have begun this work in us will bring it to completion.

**Universal Prayer**

*Presider:* Rejoicing in God’s abundant blessings, let us offer our prayers.

+ In thanksgiving for our Diamond Jubilarians, for God’s blessings to them throughout these 70 years, for their faithfulness to their call, and for the countless gifts and blessings that have flowed through them to so many people; and asking abundant blessings as they continue their life journey, we pray:

**GRACIOUS GOD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.**

+ In thanksgiving for all who nurtured the growth of our Jubilarians in body and soul--their parents, extended families, teachers, friends and neighbors; and asking your blessings on them here on earth and in heaven, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for the BVM sisters who led them into religious life, especially Sisters Mary Leo, Catherine Ann, Jean Gabriel and Consolatrice, and for those who continue to lead and accompany them into deep spiritual life; and asking gifts of wisdom and grace for all who seek to follow God’s call in their lives, we pray:
+ In thanksgiving for all who came before us, the wise women and men who prepared the way for our entry into the human family, and into our BVM family; and asking that we may honor their wisdom, distill it through the events of our own lives, and gladly share it for those who follow us, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for all who care for us, especially the staff here at Mt. Carmel who serve so graciously and lovingly in all areas; and asking blessings of health and peace for them, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for those all over the world who provide food, shelter, healthcare and friendship to the suffering; and asking your guidance and support for all who extend compassionate care to others, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for all those who serve and protect—military, firefighters, police, medical workers, volunteers; and asking your protection for all who daily put themselves in possible danger for us, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for all who “keep their distance” and continue to wear their masks; and asking your wisdom for all who are working to control, cure and prevent the spread of COVID-19, we pray:

+ In thanksgiving for all who support BVM life and mission; and asking your loving assistance for all those who have asked us to pray for them, we pray:

Presider: Loving God, hear the prayers of your people, and free our hearts to bring your compassion to all in need. We ask this in the name of Jesus and in the power of your Holy Spirit, who are one with you for ever and ever. Amen.

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Song for Preparation of Gifts: Lord of the Dance**  
Shaker melody, 19th century

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
   And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
   And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,  
   At Bethlehem I had my birth.

   **REFRAIN**  
   “Dance, then wherever you may be;  
   I am the Lord of the Dance,” said he.  
   “I’ll lead you all wherever you may be,  
   I will lead you all in the Dance,” said he.

2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
   But they would not dance, and they wouldn’t follow me;  
   I danced for the fishermen, for James and for John;  
   They came with me and the dance went on.

5. They cut me down and I leapt up high,  
   I am the life that’ll never, never die,  
   I’ll live in you if you’ll live in me;  
   “I am the Lord of the Dance,” said he.
Holy, We Proclaim Your Death, Amen, Lamb of God:
Mass of Renewal

Communion Song: River of Glory

Dan Schutte

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Communion Song: Magnificat

Lori True

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Communion Song: *Let Us Be Grateful*  
Text: Mary Alma Sullivan, BVM  
Music: Eliza Kenney, BVM

1. We have been blessed with friendship, with life-giving ministries.  
   God is filling our lives with hope and raining gifts abundantly.

   **REFRAIN**

2. Join in our song of praise to God, whose Spirit has held our hands;  
   through many years and challenges our loving has been Spirit-led.

3. So many thanks to offer for so many joyful years!  
   Our lives have been graced in countless ways, and blessings still remain.

Blessing Song: *May God Bless and Keep You*  
Christopher Walker

*Please extend your hands over the Jubilarians as we sing.*

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Closing Song: *Praise Be to Thee, O Lord*  

SM Rafael Bird, BVM

Praise be to Thee, O Lord,  
King of glory everlasting. The Lord doth reign, Let the earth (Let the earth) rejoice.  
Sing joyfully unto the Lord, our King, Let the sea be moved and the fullness thereof. The mountains shall rejoice at the presence of the Lord. Sing joyfully to God, all the earth, Sing, rejoice, and give praise. Sing and rejoice, Sing and give praise, Sing ye, rejoice and give praise! The King of Kings sits upon His starry throne, Praise ye Him, Praise ye Him. The King of Kings sits upon His starry throne, Praise ye Him. Praise be to Thee, O Lord. King of glory everlasting. Amen. Amen.