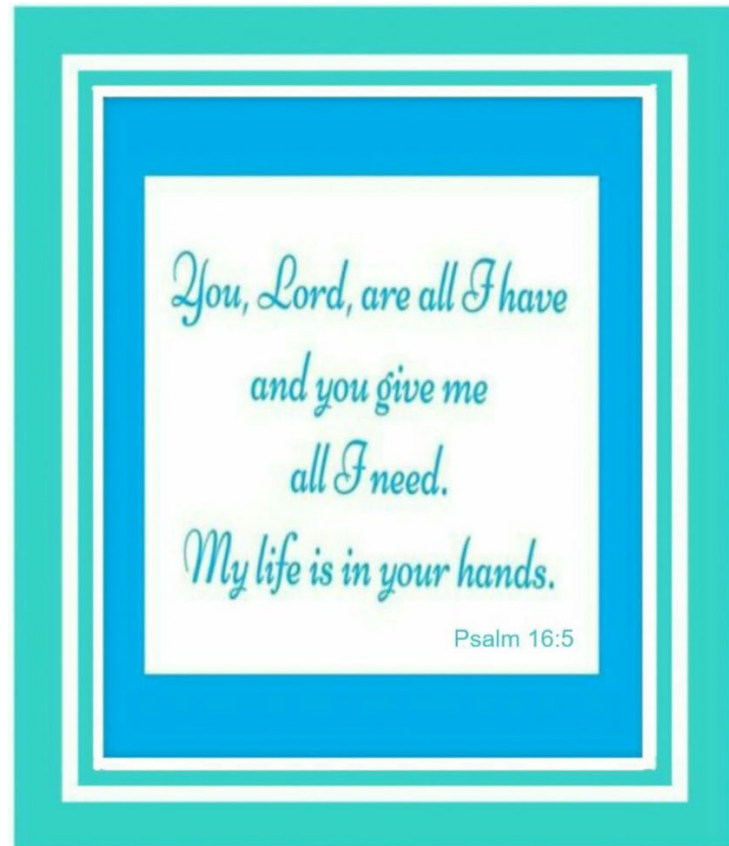


Postlude

Sortie, by Christopher Tambling

*The Jubilarians will process out during the Postlude,
pausing to acknowledge our broadcast and livestream congregation.*

*Those who have been invited to join the Jubilarians for dinner,
turn right as you leave the chapel and take the Vista elevator to the 2nd floor,
then turn right to get to St. Joseph Hall.*



Artwork by Elizabeth Huber



Artwork by Barbara Cerny, BVM

Diamond Jubilee Liturgy


*Entered the BVM Congregation
on September 8, 1955*

*LaVerne Dolphin
Florence Mary Heflin
Marcella O'Rourke
Rosemary Surby
Mary Waddell*

*September 7, 2025
Mary Frances Clarke Chapel
Mount Carmel Bluffs
Dubuque, Iowa*

As a residence for seniors, it is our custom to remain seated during the liturgy.

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



1. Love is pa - tient, love is kind, nev - er
2. Love is faith - ful, love is true, ev - er
6. There are three gifts that re - main when all

1. end - ing, nev - er end - ing; slow to an - ger, rich in
2. joy - ful and for - giv - ing; love en - dures when life is
6. oth - er things have per - ished. On - ly faith, hope, love en -

1. mer - cy, love goes on be - yond all time.
2. o - ver, love is old and love is new.
6. dur - ing, and the great - est gift is love.

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Necrology of the Diamond Jubilee Sets

Response to each name: **BE WITH US.**

M. Christine Athans	Carola Broderick
Kathleen Franklin	Elizabeth Huber
Therese Kulas	Barbara Kutchera
Mary Lauranne Lifka	Joan Maga
Leanne “Peggy” Magauran	Jeanne Mary Miller
Kathleen McGrath	Kathleen Morrissey
Pat Nolan	Mary Ann Ruhde
Donna Schauf	Frances Wohn

Conclusion to the Necrology: *Love Goes On*, verse 6

Welcome: Amy Golm, BVM Vice-President

Presider: Rev. Mark Ressler

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

Please extend your hands in blessing over the Jubilarians as we sing.




May God bless and keep you. May God’s face shine on you.

May God be kind to you and give you peace.

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Closing Song: *Alleluia! Raise the Gospel* Bernadette Farrell

Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Raise the Gos - pel

o - ver the earth! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

lu - ia! Peace and jus - tice bring-ing to birth!

1. Blessed those whose hearts are gentle. Blessed those whose spirits are strong.
Blessed those who choose to bring forth right where there is wrong.
2. Blessed those who work for justice. Blessed those who answer the call.
Blessed those who dare to dream of lasting peace for all.
3. Glory, like the stars of heaven. Glory like the sun in the sky.
Glory shines upon all people, equal in God’s eyes.

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Communion Songs: *Taste and See*

James Moore

*Refrain: Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.*

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Spirit and Grace

Ricky Manalo, CSP

Verses

1. Spir - it and grace, here in this meal;

2. Spir - it and grace, here in this meal;

3. Spir - it and grace, here in this place;

4. Spir - it of God, send - ing us forth;

1. you are the wind that breathes through the field.

2. you are the life that flows through the vine.

3. you are the light that shines in this space.

4. we spread your wis-dom through-out all the earth.

1. Gath - er the wheat and form us in Christ.

2. Gath - er this drink and form us in Christ.

3. Gath - er your peo - ple and form us in Christ.

4. Gath - er the na - tions and form us in Christ.

1. Come, be our source and breath of life.

2. Come, be our source and blood of life.

3. Come, be the heart - beat of our lives.

4. Come, be the pres - ence in our lives.

Refrain

In the bread, blessed, bro-ken and shared, Christ is our

life, whose presence we bear. Come, O Spir - it, make your

grace re - vealed in this ho - ly meal.

3 to Verses

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Opening Song: *A Time of Jubilee*

Michael Joncas

God's Spir - it rests on me. God has a - noint - ed me to

bring glad ti - dings to the poor, to pris-'ners lib - er - ty, to

o - pen blind-ed eyes, to heed the cap-tives' cries, to her - ald mer-cy,

joy and peace: A time of ju - bi - lee.

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Introductory Rites

Glory to God: *Mass of Renewal*

Curtis Stephan

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo - ple

of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -

dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you

thanks for your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly King, O

God, al - might-y Fa - ther. Lord, Je - sus

Christ, On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord, God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
 mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re-
 ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the
 Fa-ther, have mer-cy, have mer-cy on us.
 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus
 Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men, a-men.

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Eucharistic Prayer Responses

Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and
 earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-
 san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.
 When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we pro-
 claim your Death, O Lord, un-til you come a-gain.
 A-men. A-men. A-men.
 Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the
 world, have mer-cy on us. world, grant us peace.

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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of Gifts by Jubilarians

Song: *The Summons* Scottish Tune. Words: John Bell

1. Will you come and fol - low me If I but
2. Will you leave your - self be - hind If I but
3. Will you let the blind - ed see If I but
4. Will you love the 'you' you hide If I but
5. Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true When you but

call your name? Will you go where you don't
call your name? Will you care for cruel and
call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners
call your name? Will you quell the fear in -
call my name. Let me turn and fol - low

know And nev - er be the same? Will you
kind And nev - er be the same? Will you
free And nev - er be the same? Will you
side And nev - er be the same? Will you
you And nev - er be the same. In your

let my love be shown, Will you let my
risk the hos - tile stare Should your life at -
kiss the lep - er clean And do such as
use the faith you've found To re - shape the
com - pa - ny I'll go Where your love and

name be known, Will you let my life be
tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer
this un - seen, And ad - mit to what I
world a - round, Through my sight and touch and
foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and

grown In you and you in me?
prayer In you and you in me?
mean In you and you in me?
sound In you and you in me?
grow In you and you in me.

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: *Isaiah 55:9-12*

As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts. For just as from the heavens the rain and snow come down and do not return there till they have watered the earth, making it fertile and fruitful, giving seed to the sower and bread for food, so will my word be that goes forth from my mouth: it will not return to me empty, but will carry out my will, achieving the end for which I sent it. And you will go out joyfully and be led out in peace; the mountains and hills before you will break into cries of joy, and all the trees in the countryside will clap their hands.

The Word of our God. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm 63: *My Soul Thirsts* Dan Schutte

My soul thirsts for you, Lord, like the des-ert thirsts for rain. — It is
your face I long for; — you a - lone are life to me.

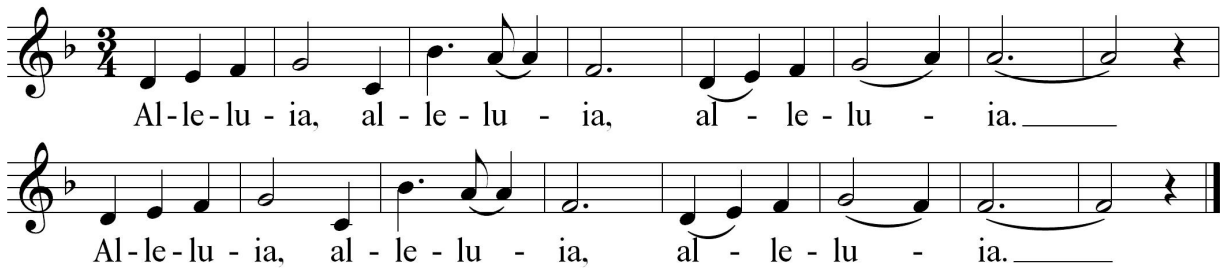
Second Reading: *A reading from the letters of Mary Frances Clarke*

My Dear Sister Seraphina,
You have the most laborious duty, but the most profitable for time and eternity. You teach the poor of our Lord. Do thank God for that glorious privilege. And when you see very poor and neglected ones, look upon them with love, and be kind to them. And they will be grateful and will love you. And when they learn to know God, they will love God for your sake. Your ever affectionate,
Mary

A reading from the words of our foundress.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: *Mass of Renewal* Curtis Stephan



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Gospel Reading: *John 15:4-5, 7-9*
I am the vine and you the branches.

Reflection: Joellen McCarthy, BVM

Devotional Renewal of Vows

All BVM Sisters join the Jubilarians in renewal of 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: As we celebrate this day of thanksgiving for our Diamond Jubilarians, let us bring our hopes and concerns to our gracious God in prayer.

- + For the Set of 1955, that they may be deeply aware that their love and faithfulness delights the heart of God. We pray:

LOVING GOD, HEAR OUR PRAYER.

- + For the women who entered in 1955, and who subsequently answered a different call, may they always know the Jubilarian’s love and gratitude for their presence in the lives of the women we celebrate today. We pray:
- + For the deceased members of the Set of 1955, that as they live fully in the abundance of God’s love, they may inspire and encourage these members of their set. We pray:
- + For all the families, friends, students, and colleagues of our jubilarians, that their memories of time spent with these women may continue to be life-giving. We pray:
- + For the leaders of our world and church, and for all of us who have significant opportunities in life, that the decisions we make will promote the well-being of all. We pray:
- + For all individuals and groups who are marginalized, vulnerable, and fearful, that they may know that they are not alone, and that they are loved by those who value justice, peace, and the dignity of all. We pray:
- + For those who suffer anxiety, distress, and illness of any kind, especially those who have asked for our prayers, may they know the strength and healing love of the Risen Christ in their lives, we pray:
- + For the BVM and Mt Carmel Bluffs staff, who so graciously show us love and care on a daily basis, that they may always know what a difference they make in our lives. We pray:
- + For all of God’s beloved creation, that it may flourish and continue to reveal God’s loving care. We pray:

Presider: Loving God, you nurture and sustain us in so many ways.
You call us to love and care for one another
as you love and care for us.
Hear our prayers and grant us the grace
to respond to the needs of all your beloved people.
We ask this through Jesus, the Christ. **Amen.**