Welcome to
Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel
for the Eucharistic Celebration
of the Golden Jubilee of
Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart

5 January 2013

Congregational Leader - Sr Anne Derwin
Presider - Rev Kevin Dance cp

St Joseph’s was a quiet humility. (Mary MacKillop 1893)
## Golden Jubiliarians 1963 – 2013

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## Resting with God

| Carmel Colorretti | Lucia Flanagan | Maureen Houston |

*We are made to love, serve and praise God. (Julian Tenison Woods 1886)*
Entrance Procession

The Golden Jubilarians are accompanied by the Congregational Leader, Sr Anne Derwin and members of her Team, the Presider, Kevin Dance cp and other Ministers of the Eucharist.

The Book of Professions which contains the record of Vows made by Sisters of St Joseph is opened at 1963.

Introductory Rites

Entrance Hymn

We Are Called

1  
Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of our God!
We are called to be light for the kingdom
To live in the freedom of the city of God!

Refrain  
We are called to act with justice,
We are called to love tenderly,
We are called to serve one another,
To walk humbly with God.

2  
Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
So all hatred and kindness will be no more!

Refrain

3  
Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign and we’ll walk with each other
As sisters and brothers united in love!

Refrain

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Gloria

Presider In the name of the Father and of the Son and of The Holy Spirit.
All Amen

Greeting

Presider The Lord be with you
All And with your spirit.

Sprinkling Rite

Water of Life

Water of Life Jesus our Light
Journey from death to new life.

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Gloria

Glory to God in the high-est and on earth peace to peo-ple of good-will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.


God will provide for the future. (Mary MacKillop 1907)
Opening Prayer

God of faithfulness,

enable us to give You thanks

for Your goodness to our Sisters

who wish to renew the gift first received from You.

Intensify within them Your spirit of perfect love,

that they might continue to devote themselves

more fervently to the service of Your glory

and the work of salvation.

We ask this through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son,

who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,

world without end. Amen.

We are made to love, serve and praise God. (Julian Tenison Woods 1886)
First Reading – Isaiah 60: 1-6

“Arise, shine, for your light has come! The glory of Living God is rising upon you! Though darkness still covers the earth and dense clouds enshroud the peoples, upon you Living God now dawns, and God’s glory will be seen among you!

The nations will come to your light and the leaders to your bright dawn! Lift up your eyes, and look around: they’re all gathering and coming to you – your daughters and your sons, journey from afar, escorted in safety; you’ll see them and beam with joy, your heart will swell with pride.

The riches of the sea will flow to you, and the wealth of the nations will come to you – camel caravans will cover your roads, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of Living God…”

The word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm – (sung) Psalm 27

Response

Do not be afraid I am with you;
I have called you by your name you are mine
I have called you by your name you are mine.

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Second Reading – Colossians 1: 2, 9; 2: 6-7

To the holy and faithful sisters and brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace and peace to you from our Loving God.

Let us see God in everything. (Mary MacKillop 1890)
Therefore, since the day we heard about you, we’ve been praying for you unceasingly and asking that you attain the full knowledge of God’s will, in perfect wisdom and spiritual understanding.

Since you have received Christ Jesus, live your whole life in our Saviour. Send your roots deep and grow strong in Christ – firmly established in the faith you’ve been taught, and full of thanksgiving.

The Word of the Lord.

All  Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Acclamation** - Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

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**Gospel** Matthew 5: 14-16

Presider  The Lord be with you.

All  And with your spirit.

You are the light of the world. You don’t build a city on a hill, then try to hide it, do you? You don’t light a lamp, then put it under a bushel basket, do you? No, you set it on a stand where it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, your light must shine before others so that they may see your good acts and give praise to your Abba God in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord.

All  Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

**Reflection** – Sr Lynette Young

Try earnestly to correspond with God’s grace. (Julian Tenison Woods 1868)
Renewal of Vows

Lighting of the Candles

The Jubilarians walk to the Sanctuary to renew their Vows
(Instrumental)

Prayer for God’s Grace

Loving God, look upon these Sisters who have dedicated their lives to you. By their renewing of these vows may they bring glory to your name and further your loving plan of redemption.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sisters of St Joseph - Jubilarians renew their Vows:

For the glory of God. Amen.

In the presence of you, Sister Anne, Congregational Leader, and of you my Sisters

I …………………………………………………..,

vow to God

Chastity, Poverty and Obedience

for my whole life

according to the Constitutions of the Congregation of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

By the grace of the Holy Spirit, and the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Joseph and St Mary MacKillop,

I choose to give myself completely to God and to commit myself wholeheartedly to this religious community.

I pledge myself to express this commitment in joyful loving service of God and the Church. Amen.

The Jubilarians place their candles on the tomb of St Mary MacKillop before returning to their seats.
Presider

As we celebrate our Sisters’ Golden Jubilee today we remember that Jesus said, I have come that they may have life and that they may have it more abundantly. With confidence in this promise we present our prayers to God.

Reader

For peoples of every race, culture and creed:
That all people who, knowingly or unknowingly, seek Christ’s light may receive the life which Christ came to bring, we pray to our God

All

Loving God, hear our prayer

Reader

For leaders in our Church, Congregation and world:
That God may grant wisdom and grace to uphold and strengthen those who accept leadership in our Congregation, Church and society, we pray to our God

All

Loving God, hear our prayer

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Prayers of Intercession

Joseph Holy

Joseph holy, faithful guardian,
Spouse of Mary, ever Virgin,
Loving teacher of God’s word.
You the model of obedience,
You the poor and humble worker,
You the patron of the church.
Then we ask you, Joseph faithful,
Help us always be attentive,
Listening, hearing God’s own Word.

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Loving God, hear our prayer

God will take care of us all. (Mary MacKillop 1871)
Reader  For our Families and Friends:
That God may bless and reward our families and friends, those here present and those who cannot be here today, for the support they have given us all our lives, we pray to our God.

All  Loving God, hear our prayer

Reader  For our Jubilarian Group:
That God may bless each Sister throughout the rest of her life so each of us will bring the life and light of Christ to those whose lives we touch and to all creation, we pray to our God.

All  Loving God, hear our prayer

Reader  For all who have touched our lives, and whose lives we have influenced—may we all continue to respond joyfully with love and fidelity. We pray to our God.

All  Loving God, hear our prayer

Reader  For deceased members of our families and of our Congregation:
That God may give them glorious and abundant life; we remember especially, members of our group: Srs Maureen Houston, Lucia Flanagan and Carmel Coloretti, we pray to our God.

All  Loving God, hear our prayer

Presider  God of light and life we place our needs before you. We trust in your faithful love promised through Jesus Christ your Son.

All  Amen
Liturgy of the Eucharist

Procession of Gifts

Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands.

It will become for us the bread of life.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Presider Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:

fruit of the vine and work of human hands.

It will become our spiritual drink.

All Blessed be God for ever.

Prayer over the Gifts

Presider All loving God, together with these gifts, accept the offering of self which our Sisters wish to reaffirm today.

By the power of your Spirit may they grow more truly into the likeness of your beloved Son.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Presider Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, For our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Keep your mind in peace whatever happens. (Mary MacKillop 1890)
**Eucharistic Prayer**

**Presider** The Lord be with you.
**All** And with your spirit.

**Presider** Lift up your hearts.
**All** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Presider** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
**All** It is right and just.

**Holy Holy**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**Memorial Acclamation**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Our Father

Sign of Peace

Presider    The peace of the Lord be with you always.
All         And with your spirit.

Presider    Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

The Communion Rite

Presider    Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the lamb.
All         Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Hymns

We give You Thanks

For the bread and wine we share here,
For the friends that we embrace,
For the peace we find in healing,
For all who gather in this place,
For the faith of those around us,
For the dead and all those here,
For the hope we find in mem’ry,
For the love that draws us near.

Refrain    We give you thanks, we give you thanks
For the grace to receive, in you we believe,
We give you thanks, we give you thanks,
With faith and hope and love we give you thanks.
For the movement deep within us,  
For the stories that we bring,  
For the signs of God’s compassion,  
For the journey that we sing,  
For the word that holds our promise,  
For the gifts that we can claim,  
For the wonders that surround us,  
For the song that sings our name.  

For the water bringing new life,  
For the fragrance of release,  
For the fire that blazes forward,  
For the call to bring forth peace,  
For the blindness now enlightened,  
For the bound that are now free,  
For the brightness of your new day,  
For the kingdom we will be.  

To Be Your Bread

Refrain  
To be your bread now, be your wine now,  
God, come and change us  
To be a sign of your love.  
Blest and broken, poured and flowing,  
Gift that you gave us,  
To be your body once again.

We come to your table with our lives as they are.  
Heal us Lord, for we are broken, make us one again.  

Lord, we stumble through the darkness of night.  
Lead us now, O Lord we follow, bring us home to you.  

Give us the bread and wine that bring us to life.  
Feed us, and we’ll never hunger, never thirst again.  

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Prayer After Communion

Presider    God of love, in this joyful celebration you have fed us with the Body and Blood of your Son. Refreshed by this food and drink, may we all advance happily on that journey which began in you and leads to you. Grant this through Christ Our Lord.

All        Amen.

Concluding Rite

Jubilarians’ Thanks – Sr Frances Maguire rsj

Jubilee Blessing — Sr Anne Derwin rsj

This is my blessing for each dear sister on her Jubilee Day:
May God bless you my dear Sisters and keep you in God’s love.
May God keep the spirit of charity among you.
May God preserve you from the spirit of the world,
And make you love the hidden virtues of St Joseph,
dear Foster Father and Protector

(Mary MacKillop 1894)

Solemn Blessing

Presider    The Lord be with you.
All                 And with your spirit.

Presider    Through the example of St Mary of the Cross and Julian Tenison Woods, may you continue to recognize God’s Will for you and trust in God’s providence.
All                  Amen

Presider    Through their lives of service awaken in you a deep respect for the poor and a passion for justice.
All                  Amen

Presider    May you share in their courage, see with their vision and love with their heart.
All                  Amen
Presider  May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
All       Amen
Presider  Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.
All       Thanks be to God.

Recessional Music  - Organ Voluntary: Margaret Kealy

We remember with joy and gratitude the many people who have been part of our lives: our parents and families, friends and our Josephite Sisters.

We thank all here today who have celebrated this liturgy with us, especially our Presider and Concelebrants.

We also thank the many people who have worked to make this celebration such a memorable one.

May your lives be filled with the abundance of God’s love.

Let us be joyful and thank God. (Mary MacKillop 1874)