

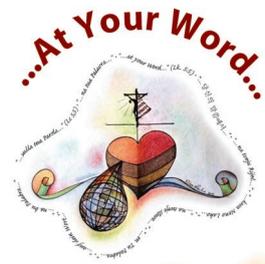
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Best wishes, Sr. Nadia, the Newly Elected President of the International Union of General Superiors (UISG)

Editorial



On May 10, 2022, at the end of the annual assembly of the International Union of General Superiors, Sr. Nadia Coppa was elected the new President of the Union. Surprise and a gasp of

joy brightened the generalate on an afternoon that otherwise would have been like so many others. Our thoughts were racing to Sr. Nadia, to her spirit of sacrifice, to her attention for those with the least, to her desire to love like Jesus, to spend herself for the Congregation and now for the whole Church. Our hearts were filled with gratitude. It was a recognition for her work, her constant commitment to put gospel ideals into practice each day with concrete deeds.

What does it mean to be President of UISG?

The origins of UISG date back to the pontificate of Pope Pius XII, who in 1951 convoked an extraordinary meeting of the general superiors having generalate houses in Rome for the purpose of creating national councils of religious. In fact, the group in Rome began meeting and immediately bore its first fruits: the decision to establish a theology school, Regina Mundi Institute, a pontifical institution that was the first to allow religious women from all over the world to study theology in Rome. (The Institute is now suppressed.)

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Toward the end of Vatican Council II, dialogue between the Council fathers and the Congregation for Institutes of Religious Life and Secular Institutes pointed out the need for an international forum for religious women in response to the call for renewal. In 1965, the International Union of Superiors General was formally established with the goal of fostering and facilitating dialogue among religious women, with Church authorities and with world organizations.

The International Union of Superiors General provides a meeting place for them to come together in an ecclesial context. With members from around the world, the Union aims to build bridges and develop networks in order to create new strategies that enable women religious to communicate across geographic distances and linguistic and cultural differences so that they can be in communion with one another and build a global community together. The UISG provides spaces and platforms for discussion and formation so that members can share experiences, exchange information, encourage and form each other as congregational leaders, in broader social contexts and within the Church.

Through its various multi-level initiatives, the UISG promotes a broader and deeper understanding of women's religious life, in all its complexity and heterogeneity, highlighting

the richness of the various charisms that inspire congregations and offering an experience of how diversity manages to flourish within differences of cultural character, heterogeneous viewpoints, experiences and capacities. In addition to offering a platform for sharing, UISG actively assists its members in their growth and development by providing a wide range of publications as well as programs, workshops and meetings (both in-person and online). The presence of expert contributors in various fields enriches knowledge and insight on ever-present issues in religious life.

Sr. Nadia's election is a gift for the entire congregation, an affirmation for all of us, ecclesial women called to be in the Church and in the world a prophetic presence of communion, dialogue and reconciliation.

It is an invitation to a deep participation in the mystery of Christ's redemption, which today more than before calls us to be women of dialogue and communion, instruments of peace and bridge builders, witnesses of a love that is called "Charity towards God and our dear neighbor." Clothed by the power of Christ's blood shed to unite heaven with the earth and earth with heaven, let us rejoice with the new President, express our fondest wishes to her for this responsibility, and offer her our prayers and support.

Sr. Maria Grazia Boccamazzo, ASC



INTERNATIONAL UNION
SUPERIORS GENERAL



Embracing Vulnerability to Journey in Synodality

The 22nd UISG Plenary Assembly was held in Rome May 2-6, 2022. After the pandemic-related delay, the intercultural and inter-congregational experience of the assembly was attended by 700 general superiors in person and another 120 on-line. It was a great opportunity for deep listening and sharing to grow as a global reality and strengthen the networking UISG is fostering among the various Congregations.

The days were blessed with the experience of a strong sense of communion among us, a very intense and meaningful time to grow together and continue to look confidently and hopefully toward the future.

The very interesting and meaningful theme, **Embracing vulnerability to journey in synodality**, allowed us to share on current topics that touch our lives, the lives of the Congregations and that of the world.

In this unprecedented time in history where there is no shortage of challenges and problems for us General Superiors, it was very important to have a place for sharing our vulnerabilities and the limitations we are facing, but also to continue to develop a common vision for being a prophetic presence in the Church and in the world.

We are not yet out of the pandemic and we find ourselves threatened by a war that is having a world-wide impact. In these uncertain and dark times, the Plenary Assembly brought new light to help us read the global events making our fragility even more evident as an

opportunity and transformation. Religious life today is vulnerable. We are going through an epochal change, a collective and worldwide transformation process, and there is need to embrace our fragility as a “a reality to which God is calling us.” In a synodal approach, when we embrace our fragility we are strengthened to support each other and walk together.

During our work sessions we delved into the three key words of the theme:

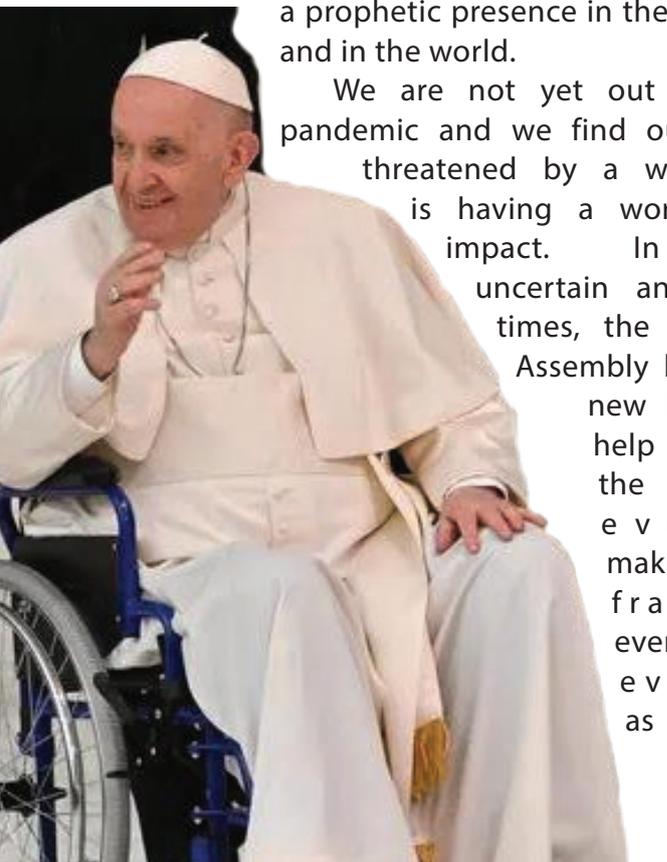
- **EMBRACING**: as a commitment and call to a tender acceptance of our vulnerability and that of others. Approaching the wounds and making them our own with respect and deep listening. Embracing is synonymous with taking care of, being involved, taking on the responsibility in a spirit of the universal sisterhood we want to live, in the power of the Gospel, to be a prophetic presence in the world. Embracing thus becomes synonymous with listening to what our congregations and many people affected by this pandemic feel in order to be totally reborn sisters and brothers.

- **“VULNERABILITY”**: is understood as a common aspect for all of us, religious women and humanity. Recognizing our vulnerability and being reconciled with it, accepting our personal and institutional limitations allows us to grow as consecrated women open to sharing and willing to walk with others.

We are fragile and vulnerable creatures who need each other and are aware that the paradox of fragility is that when we embrace it, we strengthen ourselves by supporting each other.

Vulnerability makes us humble, capable of making room for others and ready to offer generative hospitality.

- **SYNODAL JOURNEY**: synodality is the Church’s way and horizon. It is a vision, a pedagogy, that makes us an ecclesial community to serve the proclamation of the Gospel, which includes everyone, especially the excluded, the unheard, the voiceless. Being open to synodal journeying means cultivating a communion in which Christ is center, way, truth and life.





Synodality indicates to us a way of living and acting that defines us as a community in its desire to journey with others. It is the nature of the Church and of consecrated life! We are called to rekindle our passion for consecrated life and grow in a sense of belonging in order to be able to share the richness of the charism with everyone.

An audience with Pope Francis powerfully completed our reflection. He encouraged us in our weakness by reminding us of God's trust in us.

The Church learns from her Teacher that in order to be able to give her life in serving others, she is invited to recognize and embrace her own fragility and from this, to bow down before the fragility of others. In this approach, the recommendation is to live authority as service.

The Pope did not hesitate to consider the aspects of fragility connected to consecrated life and religious vocations – a reduced relevance of numbers, works and social impact, of dropouts – but he assumes and invites us to have a positive outlook and momentum.

He also encouraged us to look for ways to

participate fully in the synodal process and invite others to do it in their local parishes and in their communities and organizations.

Each challenge for us consecrated women is a call to walk together on a synodal journey, sharing and our faith, our way of living, our hopes and our dreams and listening deeply.

With all religious, we want to continue to proclaim the joy of the Gospel through sharing our common mission in the Church.

May we joyfully and hopefully continue our journey, certain of the presence of the Spirit who acts and transforms.

***Sr. Nadia Coppa, ASC
General Superior***

Remembering St. Maria De Mattias's Canonization

May 18, 2022 - VIKAWE

We thank God for the gift of St. Maria De Mattias in the Church and in the Congregation. As we celebrate the memory of her holiness we join with all Adorers throughout the world in wishing to continue to proclaim in the best way we can with our words and deeds our love for our dear neighbor.

In her time, St. Maria De Mattias gave us the good example of her witness. In order to follow her footsteps we are invited to be witnesses of love and faith today as we are experiencing the fear of war and anxiety over various diseases.

To share this joy we involved our students in an action of solidarity. They put aside what they receive from their parents to give it to the people on the margins of society. We prayed to St. Maria De Mattias, the patron of the pre-school and primary school in Vikawe so that love for God may grow more and more in them and their desire to love God and recognize God present in their neighbor may be strengthened.

The students were able to share their savings on behalf of the orphans at the UMBRA center which is located near our school. When they arrived at the place they saw the sadness and pain in the eyes of the children because they have

no parents and relatives to take care of them like the other children do.

Then they also visited two elderly people who live near the school, taking them some useful personal articles which they had given up. These elderly people were so moved by these children's generosity and by their willingness to give up their little things for others. They thanked the children and encouraged them to continue volunteering to help others, and blessed their studies. The appreciation of the elderly toward the children increased their desire to do good, and encouraged them to continue volunteering to help the needy. We pray that St. Maria De Mattias may increase everyone's zeal to continue to love God and our neighbor.



Sr. Everegisla Costantine Mrosso, ASC

19th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Maria De Mattias



We thank God for the gift of the Foundress of the ASC Sisters in the Church and in the world.

This celebration was held in the places of the Region of Tanzania where there are institutions (communities, schools and parishes) bearing the name of St. Maria De Mattias. In Kisasa, a neighborhood of about 300 houses and near the community of Miyuji – the Regional house, the festivities were very special. In fact, in this last mentioned place the Bishop of Geita, Flavian

Matindi Kassala, celebrated the Mass in her honor along with 7 CPPS Fathers. The Sisters and CPPS seminarians of the formation house of Miyuji animated the celebration. It was a time of solemn and historical thanksgiving in the Region and in the community. Multicultural games and refreshments together followed the Mass.

The group of Associates of the spirituality of the Blood of Christ from Sukamahela also celebrated the feast. This was preceded by a seminar whose theme was "St. Maria De Mattias' Holiness and Mission" led by Father Senen Pius Tumainijema, CPPS.

St. Maria De Mattias continues to prosper and grow in the towns of Tanzania where we are present. Let us ask her to pray for us so that the works she began may bring fruits day after day.

Sr. Devota Jonas, ASC

In Remembrance of Sister Maria Mossa

Sr. María Mossa was born August 10, 1929 in Sannicandro of Bari, Italy. She made vows on September 12, 1950 in the Congregation of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ. In 1965 she came to Argentina where she began her tireless work in the field of education. She was the foundress of our Precious Blood Institute in Villa Bosch, Buenos Aires.

In our community:

Sr. María Mossa arrived in Tandil in response to the request of Father Héctor Baiza, pastor of Our Lady of Begonia Parish after returning alive from her mission of accompanying the United Nations Peace Keeping troops in the war in Croatia.

Sr. María Mossa opened a community in Tandil in March 2000 together with Sr. Arcangela Ianno and Sr. Marcela Cravera. Her ministry was that of accompanying the parish community and spreading the spirituality of the Blood of Christ.

Sister Maria's strength was always catechesis. She worked in the formation of catechists on the diocesan level and gave various courses on the Bible, leadership and liturgy. She taught us to transmit our faith and God's word with joy and humility.

Catechesis process:

The Virgin Mary was the first catechist who with her catechetical approach goes out after having heard the Word, welcomed it in her heart and made it flesh in her womb, proclaiming and announcing it. Sr. Maria not only shared Mary's name but also her mission: being a catechist! She made the Word of God resound in all the communities where she lived.... We are witnesses of the results: people and lives touched by her words that opened up processes and taught us how to walk.

Many catechists cannot fathom how they came to be at this point and even on the surface it can seem by chance, but in reality nothing happens by chance in God's eyes, especially when God chooses his immediate collaborators. And God could not have chosen a better collaborator, nor a more committed person in proclaiming. Her booklets on catechesis, her evening meetings

and availability shown when adults asked her to prepare them all demonstrate this. She did not just want to transmit something, she invited us to deepen our faith! But, perhaps the most important thing was her witness, the love with which she prepared the altar and celebrations, the nativity scene, Holy Week, etc., being present with the Word and communion to accompany the sick, bringing consolation and hope.

We thank God for the life of Sister Maria and we ask that this time of remembering her life may renew us as catechists who give Christian witness in each of our vocations and circumstances of life.

***Mrs. Claudia Lorena Guglielmone, catechist
Our Lady of Begonia Parish Community
Tandil – Argentina***



A boundlessly creative woman for love of Jesus

I am one of the many girls who began the pre-school of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ in Villa Bosch in 1972.

In going through elementary school and especially in high school I began to get to know Sister Maria Mossa even better and her commitment so that everyone could know of Jesus' love and her great spirit of innovation in terms of spiritual formation. This let me see her as a woman of prayer and action.

I was one of the many teenage girls called to be formed in the spirituality and charism of the congregation founding what is called "JASCEM" (Active Youth of the Blood of Christ, hope for tomorrow). One of the many things she shared with us was the reading of the letters of Maria De Mattias, and studying the charism, which then led us to share our faith with the sick in the hospitals.

At another time she called us together to begin the family catechesis project, programming formative meetings with the parents who then would do catechesis with their own children, with meetings at school as well for all the families.

With great dedication she formed the teachers and parents who felt part of a single Blood of Christ family. Sister Maria spread the charism with her life. She was a woman of deep faith and prayer, a woman with an intelligence that was ahead of her time.

I began working in the school as a teacher and thus another of Sister Maria's great ideas was started, along with the bishop: to form a catechetical seminar on the diocesan level for adult formation, helping to form the teachers in religious schools and people in general who were already doing catechetical work in parishes.

And so Sister Maria always spread what she lived as an Adorer. I remember a phrase of St. Maria De Mattias that she was always saying when she did many things:

"Let us not fear the hard work and afflictions we have to bear. Let us reflect that God endured the hard death on the cross to save us."

I end with the beautiful remembrance of a consecrated woman who gave her whole self for the mission in Argentina and for boundlessly spreading the charism.

***Claudia Ferretti,
former student and retired teacher from the
Precious Blood School***



“We Knew it Was Coming”

In the early months of this year the Adorers of the Blood of Christ of Ruma (Illinois) community were transferred to the Benedictine Living Community- At The Shrine, a center for the elderly where they have the opportunity to be together, and to receive needed care. The center is located about 30 minutes from Ruma, and is in Belleville, on the property of the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows. What follows is Sister Kris' narration of her experience of Transformation. She describes her feelings in light of some animated stories- Chicken Little, and the fantastic tale of the Wizard of Oz-sharing her journey of faith in this process

Kind of like that lone farm in an Illinois vacant, rural space. And as we looked across the horizon at the changing sky, the massive cloud formations, the eerie quiet and silent stopped wind, we saw it was coming.

They told us it was. We didn't want to believe it, so, on the surface at least, we ignored it. Kind of.

Then, like a sharp resounding clap of unexpected thunder, that had us all looking out the nearest window, we imagined the frantic and spastic exclamation from Chicken Little, “The sky is falling, the sky is falling.”

And it was, and it did.

Ruma, home, haven, bearer of stories and adventures too numerous to count, was ours for too few days, victim of the whipping winds and blackened skies as all of us “Dorothys” clutched the most precious Totos of our lives as we were lifted up, tumbling, turning, spinning wildly, uprooted assuredly, only to land all so suddenly, on two feet in a foreign land and gratefully, no Wicked Witch in sight.

Was this then the road to OZ? There were no ruby slippers in sight, just the faint echo resounding in the

heart space of each of us... “Home, home, I want to go home.” And yet, that yellow brick road, 33 miles long, that brought us from Ruma to Belleville was not forbidding nor foreboding danger ahead. We encountered Tin Man wanting a new heart as we each clutched our old hearts and called upon grace to help us unclench a bit.

There was no Scarecrow hoping for a deeper sense of understanding life's mysteries. We only knew we were immersed in a mystery we were trying to make sense of. Certainly, we did not spy any Cowardly Lion, afraid of the adventures ahead, rather we knew the adventure was a given and it was ours to decide how we would embrace it.

And embrace it we did and are still doing. Our world has suddenly expanded...and hopefully, so is our

openness to the new and unexplored.

We have been welcomed with such warmth and encountered men and women of faith who seem so pleased to have the Sister presence. That is both an affirmation and invitation to search out ways to connect, to listen, to affirm, to be ministers of God's reconciling love, daughters of Maria who carry the concerns and cares of the dear neighbors.

For us, it is home. A new home to be sure, a different home than we have known, a home that in some ways is less comfortable, less ours and ours alone. And yet, more reflective of the Gospel call to simply follow Jesus. Hopefully our migrant experience albeit so much more comfortable and safer than those fleeing war or crossing our southern border, moves us deeper into the heart of our call and reliance on the grace of God.

Sr. Kris Schrader, ASC



A Day of Encounter in Röthenbach



The idea arose to organize a joint meeting of the German-speaking groups in order to get to know each other and to strengthen each other in a time marked by enormous transformations. It would be meaningful and beautiful if on the occasion of the first meeting of Maria De Mattias and Gaspar del Bufalo in 1822, exactly 200 years ago, a meeting day with the different groups could take place.

On April 23, 2022, the time had come. Almost 40 people met in the parish hall in Röthenbach to experience a very special day together. Johann (circle of friends of the CPPS) and Julia (ASC Associates) conducted the program together and the music group from the Friends of the CPPS provided the musical accompaniment.

In a first opening impulse, Maria De Mattias (performed by Sr. Maria Hammerer, ASC) as well as Gaspar del Bufalo (Fr. Willi Klein, CPPS) themselves had their say. They spoke very impressively about their first "encounter" and their enthusiasm for the Gospel. Maria spoke of how, during a service in her hometown of Vallecorsa, she was struck by the preaching of the young missionary Gaspar del Bufalo. From then on, she wanted to carry his message and become an equally passionate missionary. Gaspar entrusted her to the direction of the experienced missionary John Merlini, who accompanied her until her death. After Maria De Mattias had given an account of her life and work as foundress of the congregation, homilist, and teacher, she made a final and solemn address

to those gathered: *"I ask you not to honor me as a "saint," in the sense of admiration, but to hear the "cry and call of the blood of Christ" today, and to face the question of where the call of the blood of Christ may lead today."* In the role of Gaspar del Bufalo Father Willi described the Missionaries and the Adorers of the Blood of Christ as two chambers of one heart - as an image of life and common ideals in commitment to the Church: of personal sanctification (= adoration) and sanctification of others (= mission) in faith in Jesus, in the common mission of the two - brothers and sisters - to proclaim the Gospel of the Blood of Christ and to witness to it with their own lives.

After a look back at the founding history, Sr. Regina Hassler and Fr. Ferdinand Zech led participants into the midst of the present history of the communities, naming the tasks and mission of the ASCs and the CPPS, which with their diverse groups continue to express the powerful spirituality of the Blood of Christ today. In this context, individual members of ASC Associates and ASC Way Communities, as well as of the Circle of Friends of the CPPS, its Way Communities and the USC, also described their respective missions and the tasks that go with them. Particularly impressive in this context was a report on the newly founded House of Magnificat (Villa Trapp), which was conceived as a house of prayer, faces the needs of the times and has already welcomed three refugees into the community.



In the afternoon, there was group work in which the participants shared about the challenges of the present time, about the mission as a community that wants to respond to the needs of the time. The group work also focused on the question: "Where do I get the strength to give witness in the midst of everyday life? The results of the group work were then presented in a short presentation in the plenary session. The importance of community for faith and the

transmission of faith became clearly visible. It is indispensable to enable encounter and exchange, to give each other space to listen, to learn from each other and to strengthen each other.

The spirituality of the Blood of Christ holds great richness, which was expressed not least of all in the diversity of the participants and in the very different, enriching groups of the ASCs and CPPS that were presented that day. To keep up the dialogue, and to remain in contact with each other from now on, was the desire expressed several times by the participants at the end of the meeting day. The meeting day ended with a celebration of the Eucharist in the parish church of St. Martin, which was dedicated to the encounter with the Risen Lord. After the final blessing given jointly by Sr. Zita Resch (ASC) and Fr. George Wiedemann (CPPS), the participants went back to their daily lives happy and strengthened.

Julia Hepperle

*Continental Area: Europe
Region of Wrocław*

A Touch of God's Merciful Love

I would like to share a very beautiful experience with my Sisters. My ministry is with the poorest of the poor, the children of the orphanage whose poverty is not having parents. As adults, most of us have had the experience of losing at least one of our parents. Therefore, we know how painful this loss is. At least we try to empathize somewhat with the pain of the children who are completely deprived of the closeness and care of their parents. For a series of different reasons they have been uprooted from their environments and moved to a place where everything is strange. In facing this, they cry out from the depths of their hearts, "Mama!" This heart-breaking cry to my ears always sounds like Jesus' cry at the hour of his death, "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

This kind of great forsakenness, emptiness, lack of loved ones is usually expressed with a severe separation anxiety. Therefore, during their

first days in the children's home, they are looking for their mothers, saying "She isn't here." They have the great desire to belong to their mothers, to someone who can make them feel important, wanted and loved. Nevertheless, the violence and abandonment they have suffered from their parents is very devastating, leaving wounds for the rest of their lives. In most cases, these children cannot count on their parents' help, no matter how much they want it.

Because of the difficult family situation, the Care and Education Center of Wrocław where I work helps the children by supporting them during difficult moments of their lives. Cooperation with the parents is also initiated for the purpose of taking the children back to their family homes if possible. Unfortunately, most of them are moved to other children's homes or are sent for adoption.

I experience a great desire to be with these children as if I were at the foot of the cross hearing Jesus' words, "I thirst." I want to satisfy the desire of these small, helpless, suffering children to be loved, letting them know that they are important and loved. I continually ask Mary to let me be with them each day, be interested in their problems and give me the strength to love them like she loves these children with her maternal heart. God has wanted to make use of me to give them his divine love as I am with these children each day.

Amidst the pain and suffering there was the great joy of preparing seven of these children between the ages of 4 and 10 to be baptized on March 31. It is difficult to express the words of my great joy in accompanying them in their preparation and opening up the way of salvation for them and helping them be aware that they are children of God. I pray for them that despite the wounds inflicted upon them by their parents, they may discover an ever truer image of God, who is our Mother and our Father, upon whom they can always count.

At this point I would also like to thank all those who have supported me with their prayers so that, in spite of various obstacles, this wonderful event could take place. After all, taking care of the salvation of souls is our common vocation.

I am convinced that this desire to work in the Children's Home is being strengthened in me. Many of the children sent here are not close to God; some do not even know who Jesus and Mary are and have little or no experience of religious life. There are many good-hearted people among the educators, but, unfortunately, almost no one teaches about the daily life of faith because things concerning God are set aside. Nonetheless, there is great hope and support from the director who is open to cooperating with the Church.

May God be thanked that on our winding human pathways of life, God always leads us to the goal, God himself.

Sr. Beata Płowaś, ASC



50th Anniversary of Religious Vows of Sr. Slavica Turčić

On Sunday, May 1, 2022, we celebrated the golden jubilee of our Sr. Slavica Turčić. Bishop Greg O'Kelly presided at the solemn Eucharistic celebration at St. Patrick's Church, where we meet regularly every Sunday as a Croatian community in Adelaide, South Australia. In his homily, the bishop has pointed out the importance and the beauty of the call and the response "YES" that Sr. Slavica pronounced 50 years ago, a lasting renewal of fidelity and love with the Bridegroom. He gave his thanks to Sr. Slavica for her testimony and fidelity to God as well for her unselfish service to all to whom she is sent.

The moment of renewal of vows during the Holy Mass was a very touching moment for all the faithful. The perfect silence of people present evidenced how strong the words are that we pronounce when we renew our vows.

Before the final blessing, in the name of all faithful, one of the members of the community, gave a speech of congratulations and gratefulness. It was a speech from the heart, a speech of thanksgiving to God for the gift of vocation and the fidelity of Sr. Slavica in the Congregation of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ. It was also a speech of gratitude for her presence in this place, for her generous service to all, for her testimony, which is the reflection of love towards God and the dear neighbor.

Then one of the younger parishioners started to sing the song "Fala" (Thank you), spontaneously, all the other people joined in singing. It was a very touching moment and the special power of the prayer and thanks could be felt through that song. We all united and with one voice confirmed that Sr. Slavica truly deserves it. A long applause of all present people in the church (and it was full, thanks be to God), was another confirmation for all this.

Then Sr. Slavica gave a speech to all giving thanks for the support and collaboration for the common good. She also testified joyfully her

belonging to Christ and growth in faith during these last years. She encouraged all present to live their lives with God, to cherish values, which bring us closer to God and one another. Then she made a joke, saying that she will celebrate every Sunday, so in that way faithful can fill the church.

After this beautiful atmosphere of prayer, joy and communion in the church, we continued our socializing in the churchyard with tasty delights, prepared by the women. A few young people made our socializing nicer with music and song. All who organized the event participated with

their heart and it could be felt in everything.

The faithful of this mission in a special way cherish and are grateful to God for the presence and service of sisters, who share life with them and all the joys and the hardships of life here, since their arrival in Adelaide in 1973. They are always ready to participate with us in different projects, so in that way we can answer many needs, which have increased these last two years, since this mission has been left without a Croatian priest. Recognizing the specific needs in this situation, with all the apostolate already entrusted to us, we sought to take full pastoral

and social care and in collaboration with the archdiocese and with the maximum commitment that requires unlimited flexibility, we respond to the various needs of the community.

With all said, our service does not consist only of working with Croatian migrants, but it contains a good part of pastoral activity and collaboration with archdiocese of Adelaide in different projects.

We pray for the power and grace of the Holy Spirit to continue to recognize and respond to the cries of the Blood in this area affected by various false ideas that distance people from God and spiritual values.



Sr. Ljilja Muzić, ASC

Favorite Place of God

The dove flies wherever it wants.
It dwells hovering over the place,
that pleases it.

So does God's spirit.
To hover is to stay calmly
in the movement.

Like a beautiful and a fruitful garden
Is our inner being.
God himself has designed it.
If his WORD has room in it,
then it pleases him well.
His love likes to rest here.

When God's spirit comes down,
the soul experiences
of being chosen.
Also strengthening.
Invigoration.

In it there is
a flowing in, proclaiming, blazing up
deep in mystery.
Does she know about it?

Mercy and praise
have become one in her.

Wilhelma Kalpers, OP



General Administration Calendar

June 26 – July 5: Sr. Nadia and Sr. Bridget are on Canonical Visitation in Vietnam



Religious Profession

May 29, 2022 – Wichita Center
60th Anniversary of Religious Profession

Sr. Barbara Croom

Sr. Miriam Rau

70th Anniversary of Religious Profession

Sr. Rita Schilling

75th Anniversary of Religious Profession

Sr. Mary Schoenecker

88th Anniversary of Religious Profession

Sr. Florentia Riebel

Our best wishes and prayers



Birthdays: Let's Celebrate Life

40th Birthday

Sr. Tatiana Studentowa	06/04/1982	Wrocław
Sr. Bo Hui Francesca Kang	06/02/1982	USA

50th Birthday

Sr. Josephine Mary	06/26/1972	India
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70th Birthday

Sr. Jasna Tomić	06/24/1952	Zagreb
Sr. Leopoldina Džebić	06/25/1952	Zagreb

80th Birthday

Sr. Gabriella Petrini	06/04/1942	Italy
Sr. Elide Moroni	06/07/1942	Italy
Sr. George Ann Biscan	06/14/1942	USA
Sr Fabijana Jagodin	17/06/1942	Zagreb

90th Birthday

Sr. Justina Schaefer	06/11/1932	USA
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