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Sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration

Immaculate Heart of Mary Province



*(left to right)
Sister M. Karol Ann Hoefler,
Sister Mary John Pultorak, and
Sister Mary Bosco Davis*

Final Vows

Please join us in praying for our Sisters who made perpetual profession of vows during a Mass celebrated by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades on August 2, 2021.

“Look with favor, then, on these who have heard your call. Send them the Spirit of holiness; help them to fulfil in faith what you have enabled them to promise in joy. Keep always before their eyes Christ, the divine teacher. Give them perfect chastity, ungrudging poverty and wholehearted obedience. May they glorify you by their humility, serve you with docility, and be one with you in fervent love.”

Excerpt from the Solemn blessing of the Professed during the Mass of Perpetual Profession

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Renewal of Vows.

On July 31, 2021, Sister M. Evangeline Rutherford renewed her profession of vows for two years at a simple ceremony during Mass. Sister M. Evangeline currently serves at our hospital in Indianapolis, IN. Sister M. Angela Mellady, Provincial, received the vows while Sister Margaret Mary Mitchel and Sister M. Lissetta Gettinger witnessed the vows.



DID YOU KNOW. . .

Our adoration chapel was designed by our chaplain at the time, Father Columban Kramer, OFM. The altar and the marble surrounding the Blessed Sacrament is designed to look like a chalice with a host. The stained glass windows in the chapel represent the four types of prayer: adoration, petition, thanksgiving, and reparation.

The Blessed Sacrament was enthroned in the adoration chapel at the conclusion of a holy hour with Benediction on May 16, 1952.



Jubilee

*We give thanks
to God for our
Sisters celebrating
anniversaries in
religious life
this year!*

Sister M. Robertann Lathrop – 75 yrs

Sister Agnes Marie Regan – 60 yrs

Sister M. Helene Seculoff – 60 yrs

Sister M. Martha Ann Reich – 60 yrs

Sister Mary Cecelia Sanders – 60 yrs

Sister Dianne Marie Schneider – 50 yrs

Sister M. Paula Skelly – 40 yrs

We celebrated with them at a Mass
presided by Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades
followed by a luncheon with their
families and guests.



Bishop Rhoades visits with Sister Robertann following the Mass.



(left to right) Sister Helene, Sister Paula, Bishop Rhoades, Sister Martha Ann, Sister Agnes Marie, Sister Mary Cecelia, Sister Dianne Marie (seated)

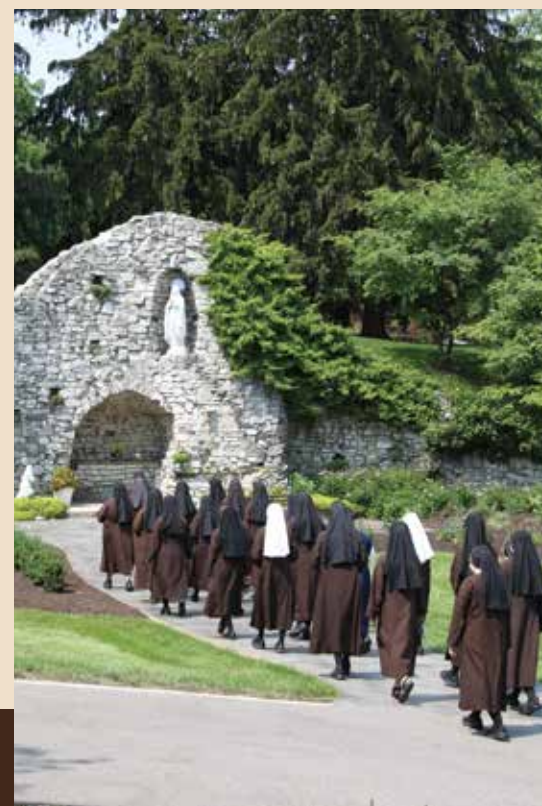
Chapter of Mats

Our community was grateful to be able to gather this summer to have a Chapter of Mats over Fourth of July weekend. Held every few years, these days of fellowship and renewal were cancelled last summer due to the pandemic.

Sister M. Marilyn Oliver and Sister M. Emmanuel Kurtzweg pause for a photo during our Fourth of July picnic.



Clockwise from top: Players and spectators enjoy a game of softball. Night Prayer ends with a procession to St. Joseph, Blessed Maria Theresia, and Our Lady. Sisters gather for fun and fellowship in the guest cafeteria. We honor Our Blessed Mother with a rosary procession to the grotto.



Investiture



Second year novices Sister M. Chiara Luce Brinkman and Sister M. Emmanuel Kurtzweg assist Sister Joretta Rose.

On August 1, Sister M. Joretta Rose Bruske received the habit and her religious name.

When reflecting on this name, she said, “As I’ve prayed with this name, I’ve come to realize it as an invitation to be a Little Rose of St. Joseph, planted and growing in the garden of the Church, bringing beauty and life to the world. Since entering the convent I have had this theme of littleness and spiritual childhood on my heart, much like the spirituality of another little flower, St. Thérèse of Lisieux. St. Joseph continues to teach me about the reality and power of God’s Providence in everything.”



Bishop Robert McClory, Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, celebrated Mass at Franciscan Health Michigan City followed by a service to enthrone the Sacred Heart. He is pictured with postulants Kelli Armes and Claire Voegelé.

Our life in pictures:

Visit of Cardinal Müller & Sister Graduates.



During a recent visit to the University of Notre Dame, Cardinal Gerhard Müller, former Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, was invited to stop by St. Francis Convent. He visited the adoration chapel and greeted some of the Sisters. He is pictured talking with Sister Magdalena Krol, our General Superior from Germany.

Congratulations to our graduates!

Sister Lethia Marie Leveille completed a Master of Healthcare Administration from the University of Saint Francis. Sister M. Petra Nielsen completed a Master of Science in Bioethics from the University of Mary.





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Discernment Retreats 2022

February 25-27

May 20-22

