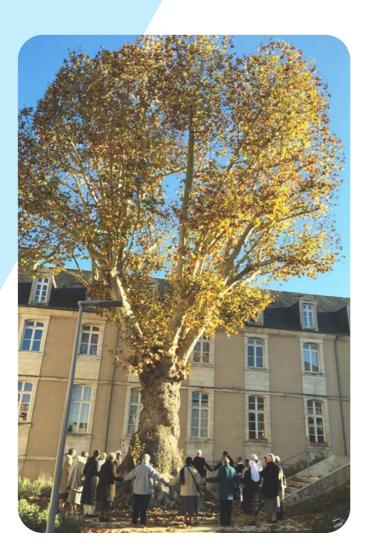
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NEVER TO DEVIATE FROM THE PRIMITIVE SPIRIT OF OUR FOUNDER...

Sr Rani Kurian, Superior General

Advent is a time of waiting with hope and joy for the coming of Jesus, Wisdom Incarnate. We began this four-week journey to prepare our hearts and minds in order to celebrate the coming of Jesus and also to welcome in the New Year 2023, full of joy and hope.

Marie-Louise, having responded to the call of God and trusting the words of Montfort, embarked on a journey of humility, detachment and union with her sisters. Captivated by Christ Wisdom she surrendered everything to God in humble beginnings, in the footsteps of Montfort, being one with the poor.

Humility: A call to empty oneself to be loved and to love

Following Jesus Wisdom, whom Marie-Louise loved with all her heart, led her to live in humility with and among the poor with a vision to continue the good work of Montfort. A life lived in total surrender transformed Marie-Louise with an ardent desire to do everything with love. As we began this Advent journey, with humility like MarieLouise, let us enter into the temple of our being to prepare a place for Incarnate Wisdom.

Loved and healed, let us be the star of today that shines and spreads the love of Incarnate Wisdom in today's world.

Detachment: A call to newness

Marie-Louise firmly believed that if the Congregation were to take root she had to let go of the known and leave for the unknown. But by that time she was deeply rooted in Wisdom and nothing could shake her faith and commitment.

Montfort had already taught her to trust and have patience for the road that she had chosen was not going to be easy.

It is through daily detachments that she grew closer to God and saw the face of Wisdom in the poor, the needy and in the beauty of creation. By her deep desire to welcome Jesus, Marie-Louise opened the temple of her being to make an oratory in her heart as a dwelling place for Jesus, Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom.

What am I to let go of in order to create an oratory in my heart to welcome Jesus so that the journey of advent bear fruits in and through me? **Union with one another:** An invitation to embrace a Synodal journey with one another.

I am reminded of a song: "No one can live as an island, journeying through life alone'. More than ever today, we need each other, and we need to take care of our "common home". Isn't it this union that Marie-Louise wished for the Daughters of Wisdom so that our lives witness unity and continue to reveal Wisdom's love for humanity? The journey of Advent is once again a time to grow deeper into our spirituality and incarnate the "Love of Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom" in today's world.

May the creative spirit of Wisdom instill in us a restlessness until we respond to be the face of Wisdom in the present reality of our Congregation. With Montfort and Marie-Louise and all those who journeyed before us, let us continue to live our mission in today's world, by incarnating the gentleness and compassion of Wisdom in our day to day life.

I wish you all a very joy filled Christmas and a New Year full of hope and courage to journey to the unknown and continue to bear much fruits that will last.





GROWING IN WISDOM, IN GRACE AND IN AGE...

Sr Lise Therrien, Canada

The TREE OF WISDOM leads to LIFE

I place myself in the presence of my tree, I look at it, I admire it. Each year the tree forms new circles... contributing to human/spiritual growth.

I am currently on the 85th circle... in fact, each circle has many stories to tell, and stories lived over the days, months and years.

Today I want to focus on the 60th circle of my life. Sr. Barbara O'Dea, Superior General... a call to be Archivist at the General House in Rome. Is this possible? I, who have no training in this field...all I know is how to write the word "Archives." And you don't get far with that.

This is the beginning of an adventure! In her time, **Sr. Simone Re**, an historian, saw and believed in me.... **Sr. Barbara O'Dea** heard, she too saw and believed in me... so much so that she dared to plant a seed called **WISDOM**... of this Wisdom with the Montfort / Marie-Louise flavor. "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains alone, but if it dies, it bears much fruit. (John 12: 24)



The time has come to leave Canada for this new mission, and it involves many risks... in fact, the madness of Wisdom is in me. But I know that Wisdom always precedes me on my way. One morning while having breakfast in silence, the Spirit speaks to my heart.

Then, I open my two hands, both empty, with nothing in my hands. I understand through this experience what true **POVERTY** is... that of the first beatitude. "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven!" (Mat 5: 3). In this way, God can do what he wants with me... I put my trust in God because everything comes from Him. Let God do it, it will be okay!

Here I am in Rome. Little by little, I set to work... I began to like the archives, it was a whole wealth to the Founders. discover. the Congregation, etc... I discovered in the long run that in this little seed that had fallen into the ground, there was a pearl... the **PASSION of LIFE** and of **MISSION**. How many projects were carried out, how many contacts with the Sisters of the Congregation and the Sisters of the Wisdom Year, how many meetings throughout the world.

The tree of Wisdom knows good days and bad days... there are those events that leave their marks on the annual circles of the tree... epidemics, disease, the French Revolution, the Wars, the Sisters martyred for the faith, the Bombings, Going from the known to the unknown, etc...

The tree also knows good moments, Beatification of Marie-Louise, Canonization of Montfort, new Foundations, Chapter Orientations, Formation Sessions, etc...

So many **FRUITS** collected during all these years at the Archives! I left empty-handed but I am returning to Canada with full hands. "The foolish in the world is what God has chosen to confound the Wise. What is weak in the world, that is what God has chosen to confound the strong. (1 Cor 1:27) *What is God calling me to do? He calls me to live each day, from sunrise to sunset, to live with empty hands, in a poverty that expects everything from God. To dare to **TRUST** in "I **AM**", who walks with me.



THE LITTLE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS.

Sr Marie-Thérèse Clais, France

I opened my newspaper to an article entitled "You will choose life") and read the column:

"He came to his people but they did not receive him".

 A baby was born yesterday in the cold, in a cave, because nobody in the locality wanted to welcome the Mother about to give birth

- A homeless man was found frozen to death yesterday on a sidewalk in a municipality where there are closed secondary properties

- A family with 7 children has been living for a month in the unsanitary tents of a refugee camp

- A boatful of migrants was denied permission to dock ,and the passengers are still drifting at sea in freezing cold conditions.

- A man was beaten and left half-dead at the door of an HLM simply because of the color of his skin.

- In our towns and villages, in our parishes, in our groups, in our communities, are there not people who likewise are not welcome?

Yet all these people are like us, they are our own, they have come to live with us...

Then, in the same newspaper, I went to read the letters to the editor



This year again, the little Christmas lights have joyfully lit up our streets. Christmas, Light and Joy!

Why? Because on that day, "the Word who was the true light, coming into

the world, illuminated every man...(Jn 1,9)

Because on that day, God, through whom the world was made, came for his own good, but his own people did not welcome him (Jn 1,10-11).

Love became man, and this man made gestures of Love.

And to some of his fellow men he gave power to become children of God (Jn 1:12) calling them to continue what he had begun. He told them:

-"What I have done to you, you do also."

-What you have done to the least of my people, you will do to me.

I closed my journal; I had a course of action:

To actualize Christmas, I had to embody love where I am, to welcome Jesus hidden in every neighbor.



OPEN LETTER TO THE DAUGHTERS OF WISDOM.

Sr Marie-Thérèse Clais, France

Greetings to all. Let me introduce myself: I am your **"Mother House"**. As the three hundred and twentieth anniversary of the foundation of the Congregation approaches, I am happy to come and share with you my reflection on this reality that I am, and that you hold dear.

You call me **"Mother House"**, and again "Family House". I thank you for this, because I feel completely at ease with these titles.

Yes, I am your Mother House, since, as you know, everything started from me. The time of **Marie-Louise of Jesus** is long gone, but I am still imbued with her, and you feel it when you gather here, each one of you, at various times for hundreds of years; even the youngest ones, you breath Marie-Louise here.



As Daughters of Wisdom, you are all nourished by the same source, the charism of Montfort, shared strongly but in a specific way by Marie-Louise. From every continent, in health or in sickness, young and old, you form this beautiful and great family of Sisters who have continued for more than 300 years to walk together in the footsteps of your founders.

May this be your pride, but also the reason for your courage in continuing to serve without borders all those who need to be helped!



Mother House, Family House, I like to gather you together on important occasions in the life of the Congregation. And the fact that you come in great numbers and that you these moments of also enjoy gathering is a pledge of fidelity to the will of Marie-Louise who recommended "Charity" and "union with one another". Yes, love one another, truly, more and more,

assuming the richness of your differences! And love this world in which you live, as Jesus and Mary Louise loved their times! May your Charity be inventive and express the Wisdom of God which is the folly of love!



Mother House, Family House, I also have the duty to transmit the beautiful message of your founders, and I can only do so with you.

This House is a privileged place for that. Of course, there is the transmission that some of you have the mission to ensure through words, but all of you have this role; you know that without the Lord we can do nothing, so how useful are those of you who pray and offer your suffering in this great house! All of you participate in spreading the message by your way of being.

Take courage! And may your joy shine forth!

Your Mother House, always happy to welcome you.

LOVING WISDOM AS A LAYMAN

Jean Plamondon, Member of the International Committee of Friends of Wisdom

Together with my wife, I have been a friend of Wisdom for over 31 years. It is easy for us to remember this date because one of our children was born that same year. Since that time Wisdom has continued to inspire us and call us to know and love her better. But, as a layperson, I wondered what path I should follow in order to discover Wisdom. What model could inspire me in this quest?

Happily, I have discovered one person who helps me enormously in in my quest for Wisdom as a layman. It is **the Marquis de Magnanne.**

During my first pilgrimage to Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre, I had noticed a separate tomb at the foot of the tombs of **Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort and Marie-Louise Trichet.**

I was told, though without much detail, that it was the burial marker of the **Marquis de Magnanne**. This piqued my curiosity at the time. Yet it was only when I found myself back in Canada and was able to do more research that I finally found a book with information on this fascinating man who was also a friend of Marie-Louise and Montfort.

During our second pilgrimage to Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre, I brought my research full circle by deciding to make, quite humbly, an oral presentation of the Marquis at the front of the basilica where his tombstone is located. I felt a deep desire to share my discoveries with others in order to make known this little-known layman whose listening to Wisdom and expression of his faith still speak to me today.

But first, I needed to resolve two questions. The first was, "How could I effectively make known someone who never sought public recognition yet always did his best to help the builders of the first Montfortian communities?" From this question flowed another: "Is it appropriate to speak publicly of someone who was by nature selfeffacing and actually shunned prestige and glory."

Yet I have dared to speak about it, and I have come to believe that the Marquis of Magnanne will not hold it against me. The reason for this bravado is that I have already made a few presentations of the Marquis, and many people have since told me that this man has inspired them and helped them to better understand their vocations as lay people in the Church.

And so, I am privileged to share with you here some elements of his life. The Marquis de Magnanne was born in **1664** and grew up as a member of the upper middle class. He married Anne-Marie Millet, and they had two children. The Marquis received Father de Montfort in his castle with other friends, for he was a good friend of Montfort whose company he enjoyed.

Regrettably, his wife died, and her loss led him to a great deal of painful reflection about his immediate future. What should he become now? One day, he decided to go to the pope in order to request ordination as a priest. **But the pope advised him to bear witness for the rest of his life as a committed layman.**

Confirmed in his vocation as a layman, yet unable to preach, he chose to write and publish books at



The Magnanne castle

his own expense, and these he distributed to the bourgeoisie of those times. Nevertheless, even today one can draw from his writings several lessons that can still lead to apt and appropriate reflection.

More importantly, the Marquis also greatly helped the Daughters of Wisdom and the Montfortian Missionaries (known at that time as the Company of Mary) to establish themselves in Saint-Laurent. He gave away all his possessions, even his castle, and chose to spend his last years at Saint-Laurent-sur-Sèvre in residence of the Montfortian family, locally known as the 'long house'.

The story of this generous man is surely worth exploring. He has been and still remains an inspiration for me, as a layman and friend of Wisdom. The Marquis de Magnanne motivates me to discover how today, with other friends, I can love, live, and proclaim Wisdom.



SISTER ANNE GOODMAN, A DESERVED AWARD.

Great Britain and Ireland



Sister Anne Goodman, 95, now living in the Daughters of Wisdom assisted living complex in Abbey House, Romsey, received the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Champion Award for her volunteer services as an assistant to the Chaplain at the Royal Preston Hospital and for her faithful presence and work in St Clare's Church, Preston.

This follows her recent retirement when she was thanked and praised by staff, volunteers and chaplains for her outstanding dedication and service for the last **24 years** at the hospital and in the parish.

Sister Anne was born in the northeast. She came to La Sagesse School Romsey when she was eleven years

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old. Later, after becoming a Daughter of Wisdom, she was a speech and drama teacher at La Sagesse convent high school in Liverpool and then taught for three years in primary. On retirement she went to live in Preston and eventually found her feet as a volunteer assistant to the Chaplain at Preston Royal where she was greatly appreciated. "I had no medical experience when I came to Royal Preston - I learned it all from scratch. I came here as a volunteer beginning at the bottom. I have worked with some wonderful people here and they are all so dedicated, and the staff on the wards are too."

Back in Romsey and still active, Sr Anne continues to use her artistic talents in card making.



A DIFFERENT CHRISTMAS

Sr Agnès Mdzinga, DW, Malawi



Christmas is once again around the corner. With jubilation, we celebrate the birth of Jesus, God made man, Incarnate Wisdom and our Savior.

Even though we already know a great deal about Christmas, it's always timely to consider each year **how we** can make this year's Christmas different by living it in the light of the context we now live in.

Jesus, Emmanuel lived as a young person with his parents, just as we do. As a young boy he grew into his humanity as we all do by learning from the people he met and from his relationship with his Abba. He was not, as some people assume, omniscient from the day of his birth.

Many of us are touched by the gospel passage of LK 2: 48-52, which tells us that **at the age of 12**, he clearly stood up and took responsibility for the mission entrusted to him by God, namely, to proclaim the Kingdom and live it fully.

This is why you and I are also called to take up Christ's mission even in our youth. Sometimes we tend to think like Jeremiah, **"I do not know how to speak, I am only a child"**. In this text, we see how God encouraged and challenged Jeremiah. **"Do not say I am only a child**" for you must go to all to whom I command you.... These words are also being said to us, and God is always with us to help us carry out His mission.

As we celebrate this year's Christmas, I invite you to reach out to the people who are thirsting for the Word of God. We can reach people by simply listening to them as Jesus listened to those elders in the Temple.

After Christmas, we will celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord, where God made man reveals Himself to us. An event which also calls us, the youth, to take a leadership role in our various churches. This event is not supposed to end there, but rather to start from there and continue wherever we are.

For this to materialize, we need first of all to prepare our hearts to follow Christ Wisdom more closely, to learn from Him the ways of the Kingdom.

Let us make this year's Christmas different, by adding to the charitable works we do a more spiritual gift to others.

A happy and fruitful Christmas to everyone!



THE VERTEFEUILLE GARDENS IN TOURNAI

Sr Francine Gérardy, Belgium

It has been a year since I joined the **Résidence de la Vertefeuille**, a location chosen as the last residence of the Daughters of Wisdom of Belgium.

This domain was bought about twenty years ago by the Mutualités Chrétiennes in partnership with the Congregation. They built a home for dependent elderly people and a Résidence-services for elderly people who are still independent.

For several years, this non-profit organization has wanted to make the most of not only the park but also the surrounding meadows. Thus, with the help of other non-profit organizations, several projects were born, including a "shared garden" (each person having a piece of land to cultivate for his or her own use) and a collective vegetable garden called "Les jardins de la Vertefeuille".





The garden is cultivated by a market gardener, assisted by volunteers, who grows and **sells organic vegetables in a short circuit** and offers a place for conversations, experimentation and training related to gardening, market gardening and biodiversity.

Its objective is therefore to act, with producers, in a perspective of **promoting health and a sustainable and environmentally friendly way of growing.** This activity of organic market gardening is open to the participation of volunteers, and to the sale in short circuit.

It is therefore as a volunteer (with many others) that I joined these good projects that aim to operate solidarity vegetable gardens to feed and **develop a citizen commitment and awareness on the choice of our food**, in addition to reaching communities such as nursing homes, schools etc. ... and to link the economic aspects to a solidary living together.



IN APPRECIATION TO SISTER JEANNELLE DAIGLE

Sr Marie Madeleine, Madagascar

During my formation at the International Novitiate in Clamart, I experienced a fraternal life through the life testimony of Sister Jeannelle. There, I experienced love and the mutual trust. Our relationship was good. I received so many graces through her. Living with her, there was a lot of laughter, a good sense of humor, and joy. I still remember one of her beautiful words "my dear sisters. friends. love! Love! Love without ceasing, as Jesus loves!"

I remember her perseverance in prayer, her indiscriminate love for each one of us, her availability, her trust, her generosity, her simplicity, her gentleness, her creativity, her openness, her joy, her smile, her courage, and her fidelity to the mission. These beautiful testimonies touch me and inspire me in religious life. **Sister Jeannelle,** for the beautiful testimony that you have shown during the time of our formation in the Novitiate. You are a good religious and a true Daughter of Wisdom. I wish you a good continuation in the new mission that the Congregation will give you in Canada.

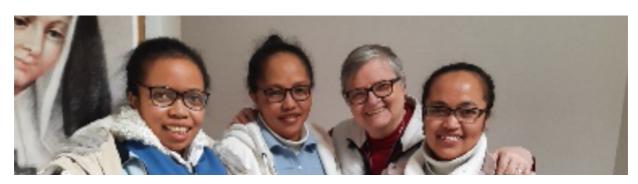
"My dear Jeannelle, thank you with all my heart! My prayer is with you. I love you very much.

THANKS A LOT!

Sr Céline Olivà, Madagascar

I am very happy to offer my gratitude to **Sister Jeannelle Daigle** who was part of the Novitiate community in Clamart. She is very precious to me on my journey.

I recognize Sr. Jeannelle in her, gentleness and a **capacity to love without borders.** What touches me about her is the way she organizes, tidies up, and expresses herself. She is patient and understanding.



Sr Jeannelle and the Malagasy novices

A thousand thanks to you,

I remember one of her expressions "correct" which for me expressed encouragement. Her joy of living, her benevolence and her love for our Founders inspire me to deepen and actualize the "becoming Wisdom".

Her testimony of a peaceful woman arouses in me an attitude of Wisdom that is **"gentle and welcoming"**. Her love of prayer helps me to attach myself to Christ Wisdom.

Thank you so much for your humility and your love which left marks of Wisdom in my life.

My prayer and my affection are with you!

WITH GRATITUDE TO SR JEANNELLE DAIGLE, DAUGHTER OF WISDOM OF CANADA.

Sr Gertrude Iyota, Congo

I have been given the opportunity to express my gratitude to Sister Jeannelle Daigle at the end of her mission in Clamart, where the International Francophone Novitiate was located. She was an integral part of the team of formators.

Sr. Jeannelle has beautiful qualities in her way of being that are difficult for me to describe. I write this testimony recalling some good memories lived with her in Clamart in **2017** and that help me to live the mission as a sister of temporary vows in DR of Congo.

Simplicity of life is an expression that characterizes Sr. Jeannelle well. Her life rooted in the wisdom of Jesus makes her a unified woman and happy to witness of this love to the novices. As a woman of faith, she gave us the testimony of a sister who takes the time to pray daily.

Through her active and intense prayer, she was among us in community, like a presence of "Wisdom" who brought gentleness, tenderness and trust.

Sr. Jeannelle is righteous and loves righteousness, order, and work well done. These are the values that she transmitted to the novices.

Her joy was palpable in her interactions with the novices and in the transmission of spirituality. Sr. Jeannelle has taught each generation of novices the creation of different cards for birthdays, anniversaries, welcome and other occasions with patience, gentleness and love.

Sr. Jeannelle stood out for the discretion and silence that is part of her being. I was touched by her **"inhabited silence"** of love, compassion and understanding, always seeking to

put everyone at ease.

Sr. Jeannelle knew how to speak when it was necessary. She didn't have many words but she knew how to act creatively. **Today, I think of her when I have to find a new way to pray and help the community pray.**

Sr. Jeannelle has a good sense of listening with attention and respect for people. I learned from her the right way to question the other with gentleness and respect, without hurting or humiliating her.

It is with gratitude that I address my thanks to **Sr. Jeannelle for having been a significant sister on my path especially during the novitiate formation** where I learned the life of a Daughter of Wisdom. I thank her because she has marked my life. All that she taught us and transmitted to us continues to help me bear fruit today in my community life and in the mission at school.

Melesi mingi (thanks a lot)





IN APPRECIATION TO YOU, SR CLAIRE PIERREL, DAUGHTER OF THE WISDOM OF FRANCE

Sr Céline Olivà, Madagascar

Thank you, Sister Claire,

I am happy to express my gratitude to Sister Claire Pierrel who was part of the Novitiate community in Clamart.

Sister Claire is a person of wonder and admiration. She is simple and determined. What I appreciate about her, is her commitment, her fidelity, her sense of responsibility and her love for creation.

Sr. Claire has her own way of recognizing God's presence every day and in every event. She calls these "daily miracles".

She witnessed her fidelity to the prayer that helped me to take charge of my life of relationship with the Lord, today in the Daughters of Wisdom.

Thanks a lot! To you, Sr. Claire, for your contribution and your support to our formation during the novitiate. My prayer and my affection are with you!

WITH ALL MY HEART, I SAY THANK YOU SISTER CLAIRE

Sr Marie Madeleine, Madagascar

Throughout my novitiate formation in Clamart, I received many graces through Sister Claire. We had a very simple relationship. She taught me many things through her life testimony. I was touched by her love for the poor. She was humble, simple and knew how to welcome people with kindness. Sr. Claire is a sensitive, compassionate person. Her fidelity to prayer, to the mission, and her trust in Providence inspire me in religious life.

Her sharing of life experiences leads me to be persevering and to be able to endure difficulties.

Yes, Sister Claire has participated in our formation in the novitiate by her testimony of a balanced life. for the life together and the support given to my journey. I wish you a good continuation for another mission in your Province of France.

Be assured of my prayers. I love you very much!



Sr Claire, a snowy day in Clamart



Dear Sister Claire, I say **THANK YOU**

Sr Pierrette, Sr Jeannelle, Sr Claire, Sr Isabelle and Sr Josiane

IN APPRECIATION TO SISTER LOUISE MADORE

Sr Francine Mores, France

Sister Louise Madore has returned to Canada after three years of service at the **Mother House**. She has now left our historic motherhouse, so dear to her heart, to return to her native country.

In 2018, at the end of her term as Superior General, Sister Louise was sent to St. Laurent with the specific mission of animating the Spiritual Center there. At the same time, she served as Superior of the intercultural community, Regina Mundi, whose mandate is to preserve and make known our Wisdom spirituality.

During the three years of her mandate, thanks to the numerous contacts she created, Sister Louise, with a team of Sisters and Laity, was able to adjust her original mandate in order to address the inevitable evolution of this structure.

Changes were required because of the decrease in the number of Sisters and the increasing numbers of laity who are engaged in a spiritual quest. Recently, the new association, known as **"Voix de la Sagesse"**, is in the process of initiating a cultural project for the site in collaboration with the director of the Institut Musical de Vendée.

Thank you, Sister Louise, for this period dedicated to spreading the spiritual life of Wisdom; may your new mandate bring you apostolic joys similar to those of the 72 disciples returning from mission (Luke 10,17).





NEW GOVERNMENT IN THE PROVINCE OF COLUMBIA

Dear Sisters, it is with great joy that we announce the nomination of the new Leadership Council of the Province of Columbia:

Sr. Carmen Belén Vergara Pabón, provincial. And the councilors:

- Sr Gisela Huertas Tórrez
- Sr Julia Teresa Diaz
- Sr Laura Martinez Martinez
- Sr María Derly Villanueva Feria

We wish them a successful mission.



Sisters Gisela, Julia Teresa, Carmen, Laura, Maria Derly

THE NEW INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF FRIENDS OF WISDOM

A process of discernment has been put in place for the nomination of the 2nd International Committee of Friends of Wisdom composed of :



Paule Marcia Vangine Laforest (Haïti)



David Sendok (Asia-Oceania)



Sylvie Abraham (France)



Jean Plamondon (Canada)



Coordinator Hélène Leboeuf (Canada)



Graciela Gruzman (Maria-Luisa)

The General Council thanks the new members for accepting this mission. It assures them of its prayer and support.

He also wishes to thank **Véronique Frinaul**t (France) outgoing Coordinator of the International Committee of Friends of Wisdom and the other members: **Kiki Artina** (Indonesia), **Christian René Razafindraibe** (Madagascar), **Jean Plamondon** (Canada), **Héléne Leboeuf** (Canada) for their commitment in the first Committee and for the beautiful work accomplished with availability and good team spirit.

> With all our affection. Sr. Rani Kurian, Superior General

IN MEMORIAM

"I know in whom I have put my hope..."

Daughters of Wisdom

| Septembre 2022 | | | Birth | Profession |
|----------------------|---|--|----------|------------|
| 13 | Sr Claire Charlebois Rose-Thérèse | Maison Accueil-Sagesse Ottawa | 08-10-23 | 02-02-47 |
| 20 | Sr Marie-Élisabeth de la Trinité Élisabeth Chanudet | N.D. de la Sagesse St Laurent | 13-03-26 | 02-08-50 |
| 30 | Sr Rosemary Gaffney Rosemary of Jesus | Sound Beach New York | 12-06-26 | 02-02-46 |
| Nov | embre 2022 | | | |
| 09 | Sr Paul de Notre Dame Marie Cornen | La Chartreuse - M.L. Trichet France | 22-07-32 | 02-02-52 |
| 13 | Sr Claire-Marie de Jésus | N.D. de la Sagesse | 27-10-30 | 02-08-52 |
| 17 | Suzanne Comte Sr Marie Texier Françoise de Montfort | St Laurent N.D. de la Sagesse St Laurent | 30-10-26 | 02-08-57 |
| 19 | Sr Ancilla di Gesù Fassi Giuseppina | Clusone Italie | 30-12-21 | 02-02-46 |
| 27 | Sr Hélène Mazoyer Marie-Xavier du Sacré-Cœur | N.D. de la Sagesse St Laurent | 28-08-23 | 02-02-48 |
| Oblate de la Sagesse | | | | |
| Octobre 2022 | | | | |
| 25 | Sr Yvonne Blanchard Angèle-Marie de l'Eucharistie | Lamay France | 14-09-26 | 27-06-57 |

Compagnie de Marie

Septembre 2022

| 05 | P. Maurizio Del Prato | Bergamo | 85 ans | 67 ans |
|----|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| | | Italie | | |
| 07 | P. Andrés Arenillas San Esteban | Torrejón de Ardoz | 68 ans | 47 ans |
| | | Espagne | | |

Octobre 2022

| 09 | P. Charles Rabergeau | Cholet France | 87 ans | 66 ans | |
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| Compagnie de Marie (suite) | | | | | |
| Nov | Novembre 2022 | | | | |
| 02 | P. Jozef (Joep) Braken | Genk Belgique | 91 ans | 70 ans | |
| 04 | Mgr. Frantz Colimon | Port-au-Prince Haïti | 88 ans | 66 ans | |

Frères de St-Gabriel

Septembre 2022

| 03 | F. Michel Robineau | La Hillière | 85 ans | 56 ans |
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| | | France | | |
| 04 | F. Paul Fradin | La Hillière | 98 ans | 81 ans |
| | | France | | |
| 08 | F. Anthony Arun Methaset | Siriraj Hospital Bangkok | 78 ans | 57 ans |
| | | Thailande | | |
| 11 | F. Alexander Joseph | Trichy | 85 ans | 63 ans |
| | | Inde | | |
| 15 | F. Gomas Arockiaraj J | Trichy | 51 ans | 29 ans |
| | | Inde | | |
| 20 | F. Martin Joseph | Chabua | 85 ans | 62 ans |
| | | Inde | | |
| 23 | F. George Pralel | Hyderabad | 94 ans | 74 ans |
| | | Inde | | |

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| 24 | F. Dominique Patrick Diouf | Dakar | 59 ans | 40 ans |
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| | | Sénégal | | |
| 28 | F. Théophile Mbemba | Dakar | 75 ans | 51 ans |
| | | Sénégal | | |



CHRISTMAS ALPHABET

Sister Marguerite Marie Clais shared with us a Christmas alphabet that she wrote a few years ago.

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A comme « Anges » for "Angels" who proclaim a great joy for the whole world
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- **B** comme « **Bergers** » for "Shepherds" who came to see the Child Jesus in the crib
- C comme « Christ » heralded by angels in the night

D comme « Date » at which the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem of Judea

E comme « Edit » for "Edict" of Caesar Augustus announcing the census

H comme « Hôtellerie » for "Hostel/Inn" where there was no room for Mary and Joseph

I comme « Immaculée » for "Immaculate" the Mother of Jesus who was preserved from sin

- J comme « Joseph » husband of Mary, always obedient to the Lord's calls
- K comme « Kyrielle » of people in the world to pray to the Savior
- L comme « Louange » for "Praise" given to the Messiah on this Christmas Day

M comme « Marie » chosen by God, blessed among all women

N comme « Naissance » for "Birth" in Bethlehem of Judea at the time of King Herod

O comme « **Offrandes** » for "Offerings" of the Magi from the East of gold, frankincense and myrrh

- P comme « Paix » for "Peace" on earth to men of good will
- **Q** comme « **Quirinus** » : governor at the time of the first census
- R comme « Rédemption » for "Redemption" offered to all human
- S comme « Sagesse » for "Wisdom" incarnate Jesus "Savior"
- T comme « Tendresse » for God's "tenderness" that is offered to everyone
- **U** comme « **Unique** » for God's only son who came to save the universe
- V comme « Verbe de Dieu » for "Word of God" who comes among us in povert
- W comme « W » the only letter with which no word in the Bible begins
- X comme « X... » for people gathering to celebrate Christmas
- Y comme « Yahvé » who fulfills his promise made after the fall
- Z comme « Zacharie » and Elizabeth of the family of Jesus

My dearest Sisters, I join the General Team in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year full of promise and satisfaction!

> Xavier Le Roux Communication officer

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