

Celebrating 150 Years 1874-2024

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Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Australia

Diamond and Golden Jubilees Celebrated by Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

On Sunday, January 7, 2024, the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart gathered as a community for a Eucharistic Celebration presided by Bishop Terry Brady DD, visiting Clergy, together with Family, and Friends to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of six Sisters – Srs Anne Wood, Caterina Merlino, Elaine Troy, Helen Hearne, Maureen Carey, Moya Hanlen – and the Golden Jubilee of Sr Angela Taylor, followed by a celebration at Kensington.

During the Celebrations, Provincial, Sr Philippa Murphy fdnsc expressed collective appreciation and love for the group of Jubilarians expressing that "These dedicated sisters embarked on a journey of the Heart over 50 and 60 years ago, committing themselves to the mission of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, aiming to bring the love of the Heart of God to the world."

Sr Philippa highlighted the parallel between the Jubilarians and the founders of the congregation, stating, "Like Fr Jules Chevalier msc (Our founder) and Mother Marie Louise Hartzer, they (the jubilarians) have shown people the compassionate face of God and the Church."

Over the past five and six decades, the Jubilarians have served in various parts of the world and within Australia. Their contributions spanned across Education, Church leadership, Formation, Caretaking, and Healthcare. These courageous missionary sisters have touched countless lives, dedicating years of faithful service to God and God's people.

The celebration marked not only the passage of time but also the enduring legacy of these Jubilarians, who continue to embody the spirit of the Heart centred on compassion and selflessness in their unwavering commitment to the mission of the Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.

The celebration not only recognised the years gone by, but also honoured the legacy of these Jubilarians, as they continue to embody the compassionate and self-giving love Heart of God on earth.