

General Chapter 2013 Ladywell



CHAPTER Briefing

Number Eleven

from the Chapter Communication Team

FINAL WORDS

from Frances Hall and Angeline Lim



On Sunday morning, the Chapter Members gathered for the **last time** in the Chapter Room.

They had their usual time of **Prayer and Reflection** and the faith sharing based on the Gospel of the day—John 14:26-27.

The Chapter Members completed **written Evaluations** of the whole Chapter which will be beneficial when preparing for the next Chapter in 2019!

EVALUATION



Time to Say Good Bye

This was followed by a **simple closure ritual** and time was given for “thank you” before proceeding to the Chapel for the ‘Closing of the Chapter’ Eucharist at midday.



CLOSURE to the Chapter 2013.
Sharing and saying the last words until the next Chapter in 2019!”



Andreina playing the piped organ

The Eucharist was a very **joyful celebration of thanks** and all sang wholeheartedly, accompanied by the organ, drums, shakers and tambourines.

Teresa carrying the **Chapter candle** during the Entrance Hymn



Offertory Procession—Gifts of bread and wine, Constitution Book & Future Direction Document



At the end of the Eucharist, Teresa spoke of how the Chapter Members felt supported by the prayers and practical support of our communities here in Ladywell and around the world.



Representatives for each Region as well as from St. Francis and Rome communities received copies of the Chapter Document and Teresa then promised to hold all the Congregation in prayer as the sisters receive the message at a **Regional Chapter of Mats.**



Dates for CHAPTER OF MATS

England Scotland	10—12 May
Nigeria	10—11 May
Zambia	13—14 May
Ireland	17—19 May
Zimbabwe	16 May (evening), 17 & 18. Ends 19 May (lunchtime)
Singapore-Malaysia	24—26 May
Australia	24—26 May

Before the final blessing at Mass Teresa prayed that all would
“...fan into a flame the gift
 that God gave us.
 God’s gift is not a spirit of timidity,
 but the spirit of power and of love.
 Never be ashamed of witnessing
 to the Lord but bear the hardships
 for the sake of the Good News,
 relying on the power of God.”

(2 Timothy 1:6-9)



This floral arrangement was done by Philomena before she heard Teresa’s quote from *2 Timothy 1: 6.* It certainly seems as though the same spirit is inspiring us!

Message

from the Chapter Communications Liaison Team
Ann (Kiely) and Jane

Now

It's YOUR TURN!

“ We have had great comments from many sisters who have appreciated the **Chapter Briefings**. You will also enjoy the resources provided by the Communications Team at your Chapter of Mats.



However, improvements can always be made and we would appreciate **any feedback** you would like to give us.

Please send to: janebertelsen@hotmail.com

This will be helpful for planning the 2019 General Chapter.

Until next time... thanks Angeline and Frances for all that you have contributed to our Chapter.”

Ann Kiely & Jane Bertelsen

The Chapter Communications Liaison Team
