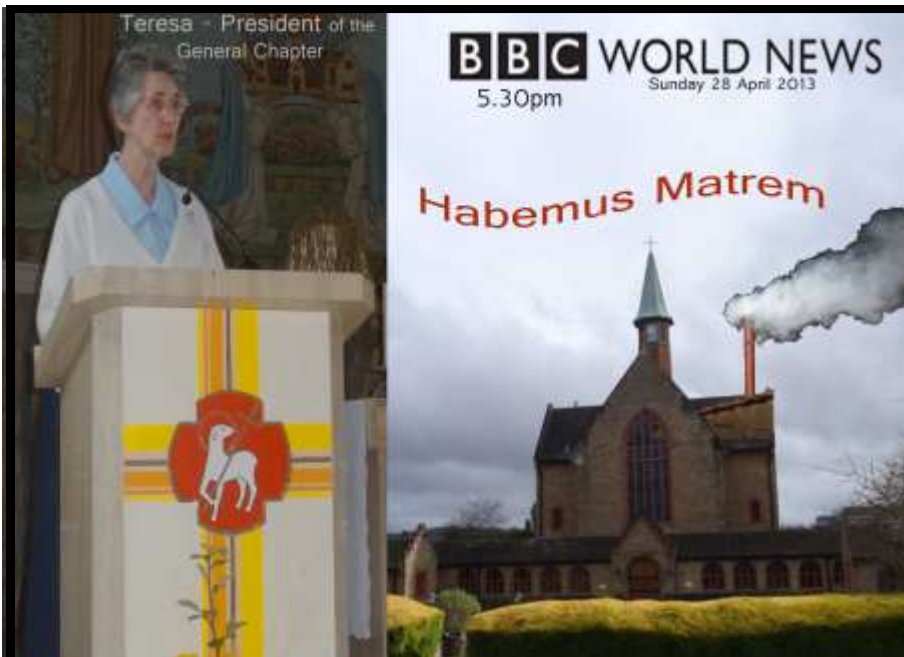


General Chapter 2013 Ladywell



CHAPTER Briefing



Number Nine



Jane Bertelsen
after the official news!

On 28 April 2013 at 5.30pm St. Clare and La Verna communities in Ladywell gathered in the Main Chapel to receive the announcement from our Chapter President, Teresa Mitchell of our **new Congregational Leader—Jane Bertelsen**. Jane was then invited to say a few words. After which Teresa led us in the hymn '**Te Deum**' in thanksgiving to God.



RESPONSE FROM JANE after the official announcement (Sunday 28 April 2013 at 5.30pm GMT)

"Thank you for the very tangible prayer support.

*In today's First Reading we heard Barnabas put
"fresh hearts into the disciples".*

*The Chapter is trying to put "fresh hearts"
into the Congregation for the sake of each sister,
our communities and Congregation, the church and our world.*

*The Chapter Members have just asked me to take a
leadership role as we move forward,
I ask you to continue to pray for us."*

Discernment of new Leadership Team

The Chapter Members reconvened on 29 April Monday morning, to continue with the discernment of Leadership Team. The facilitators reminded the group of all the information they had gathered to help with their discernment namely:

Chapter theme

The emerging future direction of the Congregation

The kind of leadership needed for **this** time.

The roles and responsibilities of General Councillors according to the Constitutions and Statutes.
(C 93-95; 117-118)

The results of the Congregation consultation.

Now that the Congregational Leader was known, the Chapter Members needed to consider what gifts were needed to complement and support what Jane brings to her role.

Servant
Leadership

The remainder of the day was spent in **prayer, further communal discernment** until the group was ready to move into **elections** under the Presidency of Teresa Mitchell, with Claudia Lee as Secretary and Elvine Msimuko and Mambwe Mupeta as Tellers.



Teresa Mitchell
President



Claudia Lee
Secretary



Mambwe Mupeta
Elvine Msimuko
Tellers



New Congregational Leadership Team



Monica Helen



Shirley Helena

- First Councillor — Helen Doyle
- Second Councillor — Monica Weedon
- Third Councillor — Shirley Aeria
- Fourth Councillor — Helena McEville

As we thank God for the new Leadership Team we hold the sisters in **Australia and Nigeria** very specially at this time.

Today everyone is enjoying a well deserved day off.

Tomorrow (Wednesday), it is back to normal...business as usual and there is still plenty to do!