

*“Like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
whose leaves will never fade.”*

Psalm 1



Twelve FMDM sisters who attended the **Annual Conference of the Association of Senior Religious (ASR)** held in Bournemouth on 7-10 April 2014. Fr. Timothy Radcliffe OP was the main speaker this year.

This is the largest number of FMDMs ever attending the ASR Conference. The Association, which is celebrating its Ruby Jubilee (40 years) this year, is open to all religious over 55 years of age. In particular it enables older religious from all over England to come together in friendship and companionship through spiritual, cultural and leisure events arranged both at local and national level. The Annual Conference is an occasion of great joy and mutual encouragement, and for many senior religious, one of the highlights of their year.

We value and treasure the lives of our many senior religious whose lives have taken root in the rich tradition of the past and have flourished *“like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, whose leaves will never fade.”*