

We pray with the Church and the world

General Intention of the Holy Father: *Ministers of the Gospel:* That bishops, priests, and all ministers of the Gospel may bear the courageous witness of fidelity to the crucified and risen Lord.

Missionary Intention: *Pilgrim Church:* That the pilgrim Church on earth may shine as a light to the nations.

Universal Children's Day is celebrated on the 20th for the purpose of promoting international togetherness and awareness among children. We pray for the thousands of children in Loreto and CJ schools throughout the world, asking that their natural curiosity might lead them to find God in all people and all of creation.

We pray with the Institute

This month we begin sharing with you in *One Small Voice* the words of some sisters throughout the Institute as they responded recently to an invitation to share a reflection on their 'Autumn Years'.

From the 4th to the 9th this month the GC2014 Preparatory Committee will meet in the CJ Generalate in Rome. Sr Catherine Ryan and Ms Bardis Seabury, the facilitators of the GC, will lead the group in this initial gathering. We pray for God's Spirit to guide them over the days as we recall the words of our Constitution 6.10: *Since all are invited to participate in its preparation through prayer, preliminary discussion or other means, the general congregation is an event that engages the whole Institute.*

Throughout this month our members in India and Darjeeling are sharing in cluster groups across the country their desires and hopes for the future in response to the recommendations of the Resource Assessment Report. Pray for each one as she engages with the various stages of this journey.

One Small Voice

My witness to God's Kingdom is very ordinary. Systemic issues engage me through limited acts of advocacy and opening myself to the 'thick darkness' of the Spirit's movement within humanity and all creation. As the journey into my autumn years advances, I pray for faithfulness and integrity. Long gone are the heady days of Vatican II. I have lived to experience the Church's shame and the diminishment of religious life as I have known it. No longer do I pray 'That all may be One' but rather I rejoice in knowing that 'All is One'.

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Let us pray
Journeying God,
pitch your tent with ours
so that we may become deterred
by hardship, strangeness, doubt.
Show us the movement we must take
toward a wealth not dependent on possessions,
toward a wisdom not based on books,
toward a strength not bolstered by might,
toward a God not confined to heaven.
Help us to find ourselves as we walk in other's shoes.