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## Let us pray

Thank you, k	caleidoscope God, for blue and green: rippling and raging, scouring and roaring in gales of the Spirit, winds of change.
Thank you	
	for red and yellow: sparkling and blazing, leaping and alighting in tongues of fire, torches of courage.
Thank you	
	for white and silver: quieting and consoling, inspiring and soaring in dove of peace, messenger of hope.
Thank you for all these colours of love and longing, wildness and wisdom, challenge and compassion.	

## We pray with the Church and the World

**General Intentions of the Holy Father: Parents and Teachers**. That parents and teachers may help the new generation to grow in upright conscience and life.

**Missionary Intention:** The Church in Africa. That the local Church in Africa, faithfully proclaiming the Gospel, may promote peace and justice.

The **UN International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples** is celebrated on 9th August. Many members are involved in ministries of support, advocacy and education with indigenous peoples. We pray that the rich heritage they bring to culture and dialogue will be respected, nurtured and retained.

## We pray with the Institute

When describing a delegate to a General Congregation the following qualities have been used: pray with these qualities in readiness for the province congregation.

- o A person of wisdom and integrity
- o A person rooted in God, ready for conversion and transformation
- 0 A person able to ponder the questions without always seeking answers
- o A person who is open to exploration, embracing the wider Institute picture
- 0 A discerning person of freedom and indifference

Welcome to **Pilar Gonzales Cano** as she begins her term in Casa Loreto, assisting with the maintenance of the house and other matters. Monica McElwee returns to Ireland and we thank her for her ministry over these three years.

## One Small Voice

This is our last One Small Voice from some of our wise, senior members.

The goodness and kindness of so many fellow members has and continues to be a big grace in my life. I feel very accepted and am happy. I can truthfully say, *Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be.* I try to think positively and accept people as they are. I endeavour to live in the present moment and am not doing very well in this realm!

I realise at my age it is more important to Be rather than to Do. Here again the Doing gets greater innings than the Being. Prayer and two gems of advice given me, help me:

- When trying to make a life-changing decision, as was the case in leaving Kenya, 'put it on the back burner to simmer slowly and God will show the way'.
- You are called to love and God will look after the rest.

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