



September 30, 2022

SR. ANTOINETTE GAMACHE, RJM



**Entrance into Life
November 30, 1937**

**Entrance into Professed Life
February 8, 1961**

**Entrance into Eternal Life
September 24, 2022**



FUNERAL ARRANGMENTS - Sr. Antoinette Gamache

Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2022
Time: Wake at 10:00 am; Mass at 11:00 am
Where: St. Louis de France Church, 56 Buffington Street, Swansea, MA
Burial: Notre Dame Cemetery, Fall River, MA
Repast: White's Restaurant, Westport

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the RJM Haiti Fund.

SR. LINA LAVOIE, RJM



**Entrance into Life
March 22, 1936**

**Entrance into Professed Life
February 22, 1957**

**Entrance into Eternal Life
September 16, 2022**



BLESSING OF CARE FOR CREATION CENTER AT BETHANY

After some months of meeting virtually, the members of the Care for Creation Committee came together on Sunday, September 25, for the blessing of the Center at Bethany.

The twelve committee members met for a midday meal, for a sharing of the personal journeys that had led them to a passion for this cause, and for a prayerful celebration of the ministry being undertaken. Here are members of the Care for Creation Committee in their Center: Louise Pisano (back row left), David Niemotko, Tracy Niemotko, Kayel Conklin, Sr. Teresita Morse, Tom Brinkman, Julie Brinkman, Katie Williams; Srs. Joan Curtin (seated left), Diane Dube, Doris Bissonnette, Rosemary Mangan, and Norene Costa.



Fr. Michael Achanyi, Parochial Vicar for the parishes of Sacred Heart and St. Patrick, presided over the ritual, which included the hymn, *For the Beauty of the Earth*, readings from Scripture, a presentation of the goals of the committee, and a blessing of each person present. Here, Sr. Teresita Morse holds the folder containing the Goals and Objectives; Kayel Conklin presents the entrance sign he created; Sr. Doris Bissonnette holds the biodiversity map of the property, and Fr. Michael Achanyi, presides at the ritual of blessing.

The afternoon sharing was an enriching revelation of the variety of motivations, interests and skills among the participants. The group includes an architect concerned with management of the impact of construction on the environment; an RJM whose reading of *Laudato Si* led her to join the committee; a participant who is a New York City *Forester* (who knew?!), working to promote and create ecologically healthy spaces and structures in the city.

Initiated by Sr. Teresita Morse, the committee's mission is a response to one of the preferences of the RJM General Chapter 37, "Our Common Home," a preference ratified and concretized by the Province Assembly of 2020, which includes in its Commitment Statement: "To offer a space where all are invited to a deeper and wider commitment to reference and care for all God's creation, supporting the Care of Creation group as they explore ideas and for the Highland Mills property...."

The blessing was planned for an earlier date, but circumstances made it necessary to re-schedule, moving the gathering to a day that falls within this year's *SEASON OF CREATION*, when we join with people from every part of the world to give thanks for the gift of our common home, and pledge to cherish and care for it.

- Sr. Rosemary Mangan, RJM



SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation takes place this year from September 1 through October 4.

The Week 4 exercise, "Contemplating with Taste", is attached to the Bridges email.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE WITH OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



October 1 Diane Dube, RJM

October 20 Marge Perron, RJM

October 21 Shirley Léveill  , RJM

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION AT MARILLAC



On the left, Srs. Dina Garcia and Bernadette Oliva prepare our September RJM Birthday Celebration at Marillac. We crowned Dina as our Party Queen.



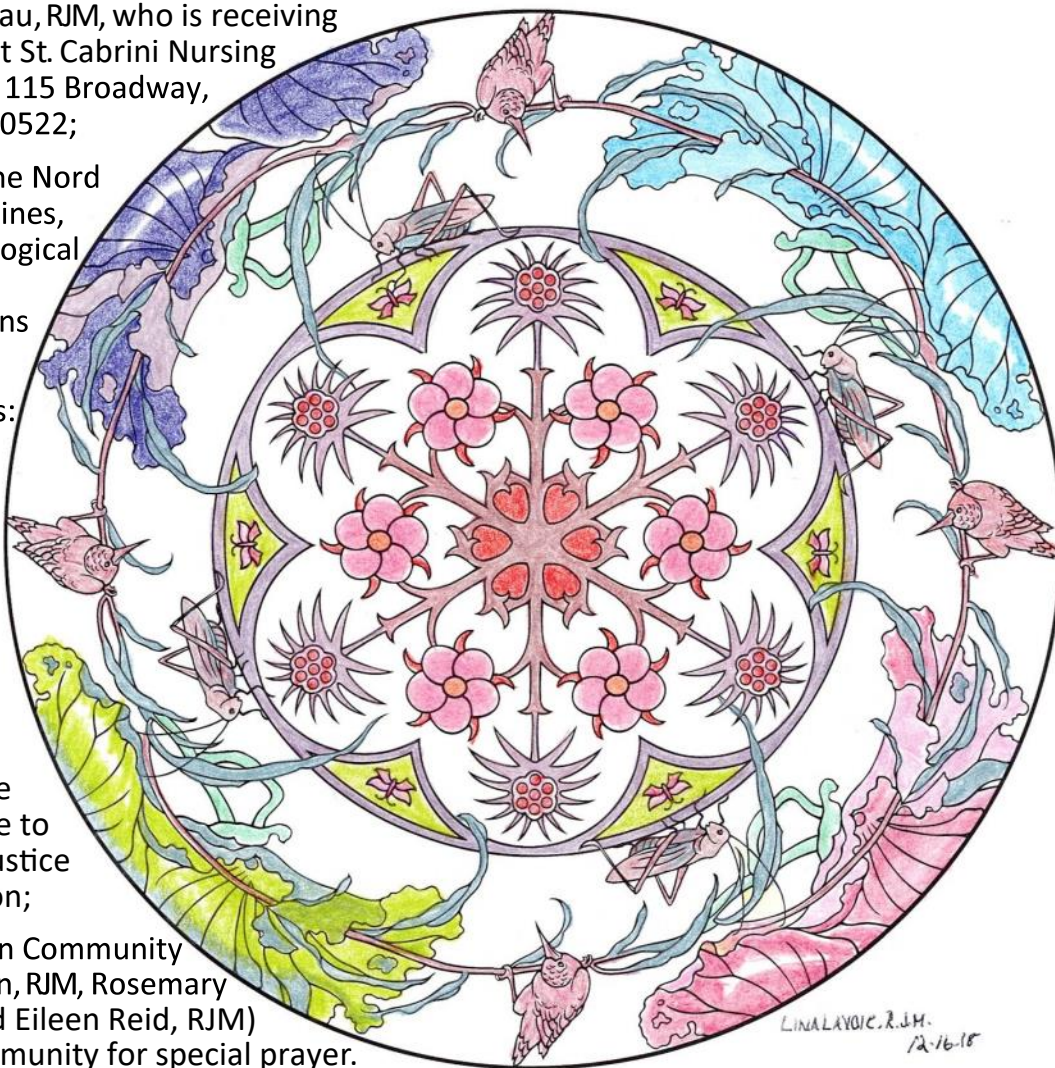
We are glad we were able to be together that day because now we are back in isolation, due to Covid on the 1st, 3rd, and 4th floors. For now, we stay in our rooms and our meals are delivered.

PROVINCE OFFICE

September 22 – October 4 Srs. Marge and Mary in Rome

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR...

- Sr. Claire Dandeneau, RJM, who is receiving physical therapy at St. Cabrini Nursing Home, Room 102, 115 Broadway, Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522;
- Speedy repair of the Nord Stream 1 & 2 pipelines, restoration of ecological damage and a decrease of tensions in Eastern Europe;
- Continuing Prayers: Tom Stegman, SJ; and the General Conference on Reconfiguration in Rome;
- The safety and security of the people of Haiti, and for God's blessings on all the efforts being made to bring peace and justice to this island nation;
- 13th Street Christian Community (Srs. Mary Bourdon, RJM, Rosemary Mangan, RJM, and Eileen Reid, RJM) as this week's community for special prayer.



**WE ALSO PRAY FOR ALL THE NEEDS
OF OUR RJM SISTERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS.**

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Praised Forever Be Jesus and Mary