

# Men and women religious celebrate and re-dedicate at Mass for Consecrated Life

By Catholic Review Staff

The 65 men and women religious across the Baltimore Archdiocese celebrating jubilees in 2017 received kudos from Archbishop William E. Lori at a special Mass at St. Agnes in Catonsville March 18.

“The charisms of your founders find expression in your many ministries that directly benefit and strengthen our fellow Catholics and the wider community,” the archbishop said in his homily, according to a published version. “For all this, and for so much more, please accept my heartfelt gratitude, coupled with my prayers for you and for your institutes.”

The archbishop presided at the Mass, which included concelebrants Bishops Adam J. Parker and Mark E. Brennan, auxiliary bishops of Baltimore; Monsignor James W. Hannon, western vicar and director of the archdiocesan division of clergy personnel; and Father James Sorra, director of vocations.



*Dominican Sisters Janet Mary Yu, left, and Peter Verona Bodoh, spend a few moments with Sister of Notre Dame de Namur Shawn Marie MaGuire, following the World Day of Consecrated Life Mass celebrated by Archbishop William E. Lori at St. Agnes Church in Catonsville March 18. (Kevin J. Parks/CR Staff)*

While the World Day of Consecrated Life was Feb. 2, the archbishop noted that “a variety of scheduling complications, mostly of my doing,” necessitated that the Mass be celebrated well into Lent.

The archbishop opted to celebrate a votive Mass – or a Mass for a special intention – in honor of “the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Foot of the Cross.”

He urged the religious sisters, brothers and priests present to consider Mary a “model of consecration for those called to this evangelical way of life.”

“Mary illustrates for you and me complete openness to the Holy Spirit,” the archbishop said, according to his published homily, “an openness that leads to union with the Son of God and intimacy with the Father. In all these ways, Mary models for us what it means to make our lives a gift for others by being wholly consecrated – body, mind and spirit – to God.”

Archbishop Lori acknowledged that such devotion does not necessarily make life easy – for Mary, who watched her son die on the cross, or for religious.



*Daughters of Mary Mother of Mercy Sister Marie Humblin embraces Sister Mary Gracious Omwuke during the sign of peace at the World Day of Consecrated Life Mass March 18. (Kevin J. Parks/CR Staff)*

Cross and consecration, the archbishop said, “are intertwined and inseparable so long as we are in this world.”

“Indeed, your whole life, like Mary’s, could be described as a journey toward Calvary where you also stand at the foot of the Cross and share in the utter self-oblation, the self-giving love of Jesus Christ,” he said.

Religious men and women in the Archdiocese of Baltimore serve in parishes and schools. They feed the hungry and clothe the naked, and even run hospitals. They spend lengthy stretches of time in prayer, for the archdiocese and the world.

During the liturgy, they renewed their vows of poverty, chastity and obedience which allow them to devote themselves so fully to God.

## **2017 Jubilarians**

### **25th**

Father David McGuigan, S.M.

Brother Jesse O’Neill, S.M.

Father Miguel Martinez, C.Ss.R.

Sister Danuta Zielinska, S.S.M.I.

Father James Kelly, S.J.

### **40th**

Father Robert Zawacki, S.S.J.

### **50th**

Sister Celestine Meade, L.S.P.

Father John Schulmeister, O.F.M.

Father Kevin Milton, C.Ss.R.  
Reverend Thomas Barrett, C.Ss.R.  
Sister Charmaine Krohe, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Irene Mary Pryle, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Jane Moran, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Jane Cayer, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Barbara Ann Perry, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Patricia Tryon, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Paula Dukehart, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Sharon Mary Brunier, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Hélène Thérèse Stanislaus, O.S.P.  
Sister Cecilia Ann Cyford, S.S.J.  
Sister Cecilia Mary Sartorius, L.S.P.  
Sister Doris Mary Turek, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Kathleen L. Dausen, O.S.F.  
Sister John Francis Schilling, O.S.P.  
Sister Rose Mary Eve Holter, O.S.F.  
Sister Susan Engel, M.H.S.H.  
Father Charles Borges, S.J.

## **60th**

Brother Thomas Trager, S.M.  
Sister Anne Marie Vogel, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Carol Ann Graf, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Catherine Horan, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Elise Mary Saydah, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Frederick Mary Maisel, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Lois Blessing, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Marlene Biasiello, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Mary Elizabeth Buettner, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Therese Marie Dougherty, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Mary Margaret Brockman, M.H.S.H.  
Sister Therese Leddy, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Mary Noel Albers, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Michael Tashiro, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Rose Cuva, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Diane K. Bardol, G.N.S.H.  
Sister Joan Kelly, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Judith Gallen, S.S.J.  
Sister Michael Marie Hartman, I.H.M.

Sister Regina Maria Loftus, L.S.P.  
Sister Shawn Maguire, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Suzanne Hall, S.N.D. de N.

65th

Sister Barbara Wills, M.H.S.H.

70th

Brother Gregory Cavalier, F.S.C.  
Sister George Marie Geiger, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Mary Ann Wood, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Mary Virginia Brien, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Joanne Schneberger, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Mary Adele White, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Paula Laschenski, S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Veronica Emmick, O.C.D.

**75th**

Sister Mary Reilly S.N.D. de N.  
Sister Doris Kresslein, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Dolores Beere, M.H.S.H.  
Sister Joannene Merendino, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Eugene Marie Geiger, S.S.N.D.  
Sister Eileen Sweeney, S.N.D. de N.

**80th**

Sister Magdalita Wyczalek, S.S.N.D.