In Joyful Service

Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"If I could be of service in saving souls in any part of the globe, I would gladly do all in my power."

Nano Nagle

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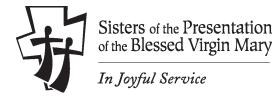
Presentation Cojourners

We are a vowed faith community who share the mission of Jesus. Inspired by our foundress, Nano Nagle, we willingly go forth to any part of the world to work for justice, alleviate oppression and promote human dignity, especially among the poor. We proclaim the Good News with missionary zeal, in a spirit of love and joy.

Our mission guides our ministry and underlines our spirituality. Our focus on promoting justice and alleviating oppression helps us to determine which of the many needs of God's people we might best be able to meet through our ministry efforts. This guidance is essential as we minister to those in need all over the world.

"There is no greater happiness than to be in union."

~Nano Nagle



A Presentation Cojourner is:

A Presentation Cojourner is a baptized person of any faith who wishes to share the spirituality, values and mission of the Presentation Sisters. A cojourner lives the Presentation mission in the framework of his or her own life, career and responsibilities. Cojourners and sisters develop a partnership through visits, shared prayer and participation in congregation activities and gatherings.

Sister Mary Denis Collins wrote in a 1986 letter to the priests of the diocese, "We believe strongly that the Holy Spirit calls the laity just as we are called, to a deeper living of the Christian life. The membership will come from dedicated, prayerful people who share the spirit of the Sisters and collaborate with us in fulfilling our mission in the Church."

Why be a cojourner?

- To respond to an inner longing for a deeper relationship with God
- To be bonded with Presentation Sisters and other cojourners in living the mission of Jesus
- To be encouraged and supported in the growth of one's spiritual life
- To extend the Presentation spirit, charism, hospitality and service
- To make one's gifts and talents available to others through ministry and prayer
- To receive mutual prayer support

Criteria for cojourner relationship:

- Desire to deepen one's relationship with God
- Desire to connect with the Presentation Sisters through ministry, prayer and/or friendship
- Willingness to participate in a formation process
- Desire to be a cojourner

In 1980, the Presentation Sisters Chapter of Affairs affirmed the concept of extended membership, cojourners. In 1986, the first members were received as cojourners.



In joyful service, the Presentation Sisters have been serving since 1886 and the cojourners since 1986.

