



A Message from CMSWR

With the entire Church, the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious extends its congratulations to a key founding member community, our beloved Little Sisters of the Poor, on the occasion of the canonization of Blessed Jeanne Jugan. With her tender and untiring care and love for the elderly poor, Blessed Jeanne Jugan is a profound model for our present society. Her humble acceptance of adversity and her commitment to the mission and charism entrusted to her, reflect her participation in the charity of Trinitarian communion. Today this charity permeates the lives of her Sisters as they witness to the spousal bond of religious consecration in fidelity to the Church. Their love of the Eucharist pours forth in the sacramental life they make available to their Residents. In likeness to their foundress, the Little Sisters of the Poor recognize the unique image and likeness of God in each person, especially those suffering the limitations of advanced age. This is shown in a singular way by the Sisters' commitment to be present for the dying as they prepare for eternal life.

As Blessed Jeanne Jugan joins the heavenly ranks of those who have followed Christ unreservedly, it is a joy for all the members of the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious to share this momentous affirmation of the Church with you. We pray in gratitude for each of you as you embody the charism of your holy foundress.

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