



## PRAYER SERVICE ON FAMILY FEAST

We begin our Morning Worship by breaking the Word of God, the most favourite passage of our Founder, the prologue. After the reading of the prologue there will be an Aarati by the group members starting from the sanctuary. When they come forward kindly light your candles and we join them for the aarti glorifying the creator God who has gathered us together in this holy place for a special cause today as one family and move forward, place them before our founding generation.

Dear sisters we request all of you, kindly stand for the reading of the Prologue.

- Reading from the Prologue (Jn 1: 1-5, 9)
- **Asathoma Satgamaya....Arati (6mnts)**

Please be seated

- The skit...
- **Hymn: We are companions on the journey...**

### **Introduction**

Make a joyful noise to God all the earths, sing the glory of his name...Give to him glorious praise. Sing to God, sing praises to him...

Dear sisters, it is right for us today to raise our hearts along with the psalmist to praise and worship the triune God. It is a new day, new morning, a very special occasion filled with sentiments of joy and celebration, thanksgiving and jubilation. On this special occasion we remember our founding generation St. Arnold Janssen, Mother Maria and Mother Josepha because of whom we are here today. Let us also remember in love and gratitude all our sisters who have gone before us and left a legacy to follow and carry forward the mission of Jesus, envisioned by them. We thank and praise them for their very own lives and their power of intercession which continue to be the source of moving energy for us.

- **Thanksgiving song.....**
- **Reading from the constitutions**

“By calling us to this congregation, the spirit of God has united us in a new way with Himself and with one another... We serve the one missionary mandate each in her own place and with her own talents. In our diversity we complement one another are opened to learn from each other and willingly pass on our skills. Our loving acceptance and support of each other and our shared concerns in facing the challenges of our mission help us to grow closer together as a community. We appreciate, encourage and help one another, share our joys and sorrows, and show interest in each other’s life and work. The presence of the spirit of love in our midst is manifested in the mutual trust and loving thoughtfulness that are characteristics of our communities... (Pause)

It is therefore impossible to understand religious community unless we start from its being a gift from on high, from its being a mystery, from its being rooted in the very heart of the blessed and sanctifying Trinity, called to nurturing life with compassion reflected in our community living and thus transformation of the world.

- **Singing Motto**
- **Now let us place all our prayers at the feet of the Triune God.**

Let your response be;

### **Invocation to the Holy Spirit**

The Holy Spirit unites us in sincere sisterly love. In the differences of cultures, nationality, personality and age we experience the richness of His gifts in each of us. So, let us submit ourselves to the Holy Spirit who constantly renews, strengthens and unites us together with one another. Let's all stand and raise our hands as we sing the "*Veni Creator*"

- **Creator Spirit**

### **Conclusion**

God of all blessings, source of all life, giver of all grace: We thank you for the gift of life: for the breath that sustains life, for the food of this earth that nurtures life, for the love of family and friends without which there would be no life.

We thank you for setting us in communities: who nurture our becoming, for friends who love us by choice, for companions at work, who share our burdens and daily tasks, who call us to grow in understanding, who offer us hope for the future.

We thank you for this day: for life and for the opportunity to celebrate each other's presence in this community, to tell how valuable the life in a community. For your grace and one more experience of your presence, for your promise: to be with us, to be our God...

We recall your deep compassion, presence and abounding love. We thank you for the gifts, talents and skills with which you have blessed us. We thank you for the experiences that have brought us to this moment. We thank you for the work of others that gives breadth and depth to our own life. Be with us as we move forward, rejoicing with you and supporting one another. Grant us grace to enliven our relationships in mutuality, interdependence, and empowerment of others. We ask this in your Holy Name.

Amen

- **Hymn on the family**

Now a tray with a message will be passed on. Kindly pick up one and that would be a message for the day for each of us.

- **Angelus**

**-Anonymous**

