

Sisters of the Holy Family 2019 Jubilee Celebration

These Sisters of the Holy Family were honored for their years of service in New Orleans, Louisiana on June 8, 2019.

Congratulations one and all.





















HORTENSIA SR. DORIS











Jubilarians 2019

75 Years

Sister M. de Ricci Egby, SSF

70 Years

Sister Doris Goudeaux, SSF Sister Charlotte Rubit, SSF Sister Josita Marie Ogaldez, SSF

60 Years

Sister Hortensia Maria Flowers, SSF Sister Joan Flores, SSF Sister Frances Therese Remi, SSF Sister Sarah Cecile James, SSF Sister Veronica Ruth Lambey, SSF Sister Rebecca Carlos Castillo, SSF

50 Years

Sister Alicia Christina Costa, SSF



Prayer to end Human trafficking

Oh God, we didn't see them. But you did—

The hundreds and thousands of human beings Trafficked each year to join the millions who are trapped

in modern-day slavery.

Under terrible conditions, they work in factories, plow fields,

harvest crops, work quarries, fill brothels, clean homes, and haul water.

Many are children with tiny fingers for weaving rugs and small shoulders for bearing rifles.

Their labor is forced, their bodies beaten, their faces hidden

from those who don't really want to see them.

But you see them all, God of the poor.
You hear their cry and you answer
by opening our eyes, and breaking our hearts
and loosening our tongues to insist:

No more. No more.

Amen



in a word or two

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Blessing bands of wool that archbishops will wear around their shoulders, Pope Francis said, "It is a sign that the shepherds do not live for themselves but for the sheep." "It is a sign that, in order to possess life, we have to lose it, give it away," the pope said during his homily at Mass for the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul June 29. The 30 archbishops receiving palliums included: Archbishops Wilton D. Gregory of Washington; Michael J. Byrnes of Agana, Guam; Peter A. Comensoli of Melbourne, Australia; Peter J. Hundt of St. John's, Newfoundland; and John Wilson of Southwark, England. A pallium also was blessed for Archbishop Michael Mulhall of Kingston, Ontario, who reportedly was unable to attend. The palliums are a woolen band that the heads of archdioceses wear around their shoulders over their Mass vestments. Benedictine nuns at the Monastery of St. Cecilia in Rome use wool from lambs blessed by the pope each year on the Jan. 21 feast of St. Agnes to make the palliums, which are kept by St. Peter's tomb until the Mass in St. Peter's Basilica.



Archbishops Wilton Gregory of Washington, Peter A. Comensoli of Melbourne, Australia, and Joseph Vu Van Thien of Ha Noi, Vietnam, are pictured during the sign of peace as Pope Francis celebrates Mass marking the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican June 29, 2019. After the Mass the pope presented palliums to new archbishops from around the world.

(CNS photo/Paul Haring)



Archbishops Wilton Gregory of Washington, center, and Peter A. Comensoli of Melbourne, Australia, leave in procession after attending Pope Francis' celebration of Mass marking the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican June 29, 2019. After the Mass the pope presented palliums to new archbishops from around the world. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)



Archbishop Wilton Gregory of Washington holds a box containing his pallium as he poses with a well-wisher after Pope Francis' celebration of Mass marking the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican June 29, 2019. Archbishop Gregory was among new archbishops to receive the pallium from the pope after the Mass. (CNS photo/Paul Haring)

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