

Sr GRETTA'S DIAMOND JUBILEE IN ENGLAND

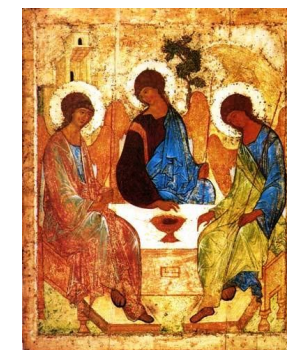
Sister Gretta celebrated her diamond jubilee of profession on **Sunday 20th August 2017** in her home parish of Castletfin, Co Donegal, Ireland. The church was full because the usual congregation was joined by such a large family ! Music was provided by the youth choir which is run by Gretta's niece, Rachel, who teaches in the local Catholic school.



On **14th September 2017**, the actual anniversary day of profession, the London Community left early to join the Sittingbourne Community for the celebration of Mass in the Sisters' chapel. The celebrant was Father James Hurley, the Vicar for Religious in the Diocese of Southwark.

Father James spoke of the three vows as consecration to the Blessed Trinity

*"The three vows of **Poverty**, trusting in the Father, **Chastity**, following the Son and **Obedience**, listening to the Holy Spirit, sum up the life of consecrated religious – a unique commitment to God in response to a very personal calling".*



After Mass, we had a wonderful buffet lunch before departing for London enriched by our coming together to pray and to spend time together sharing our joy and gratitude.



My gratitude to everyone in the parish, the family who supported me and prayed for me over the years.

Thanks to everyone in my religious family for helping me to respond to God's calling !