

Sister Miriam Conroy, SSND -60 Year Jubilee!



Come as you are!

In this more contemplative time in my life, the words *Mystery*, lived out in *Graced* moments, and *Gratitude* sum up my 60 years of the pure gift of SSND life.

Mystery – the unexplainable call to join the unknown, international community of SSND that came to this teenager from Dublin, Ireland.

I first met these Sisters in Lingfield, England. Working there with the Junior grade children and alongside Sister Arimathea led to the unfolding of the mystery of 14 years spent in England.

My heart again knew the detachment (or letting go) that such a call demands, but with the help of **Grace**, I continued to live out the mystery.

I arrived in Canada to minister in various ways and places: Notre Dame Academy, Waterdown, Ontario – in charge of the resident students; St Agatha Children's Village (for emotionally disturbed children); Martin's Manor – Home for unwed mothers.

Then I experienced another mysterious call, this time to Peru and Bolivia in South America.

A return to England challenged me with the call to parish ministry in Yorkshire and Liverpool for ten years.

On returning to Canada my **Gratitude** flowed deeper into the mystery.

“Come as you are” is still my mantra as I daily try to be present to the Presence called Mystery.