

# JUBILEE OF RELIGIOUS LIFE

OF

MARIE ANTOINETTE BEEL 1946-2026



and



CECILE WALRAVE : 1966-2026



« To believe is to trust »

On Saturday, May 23, 2026, Marie Antoinette Beel and Cécile Walrave celebrated their jubilees: 80 years for our 102-year-old senior Sister (born March 23, 1924) and 60 years for Cécile.

All the sisters who were able to travel gathered in Erpe-Mere, at the nursing home where Marie Antoinette now lives. We set out together from the parking lot of the Nazareth nursing home.

A time of prayer in the chapel of this house helped us give thanks. The jubilarians had chosen the theme of love and trust for the prayer. Cécile read the hymn to love (1 Cor 13:1-8a) and Marie Antoinette read the account of the disciples of Emmaus (Luke 24:13-20; 25; 28-33a).

Afterward, we shared a festive snack.



It was a great joy to go on this outing together and to experience this moment. It was very meaningful on the eve of Pentecost; it felt as though we were like the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room to welcome the Holy Spirit.

Events like this are graces that are in no way deserved but are received, as Maurice Zundel said:

**«It's not about understanding or feeling; it's a matter of trust—someone welcomes us into the very depths of our soul » (M. Zundel)**

May your lives continue to radiate the joy of the risen Christ, dear Cécile and Marie Antoinette, and may He share His life with you. Congratulations and all the best.



