

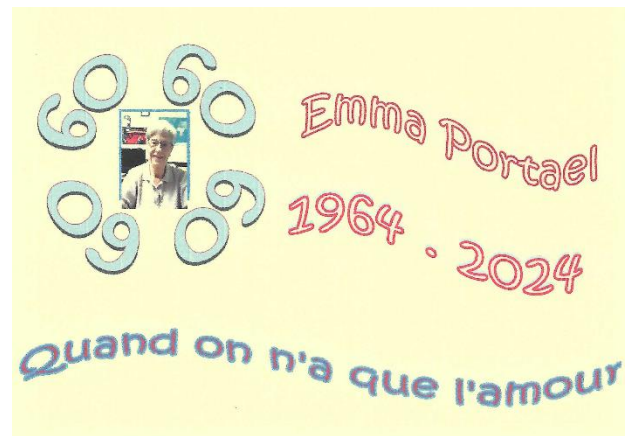
## JUBILEE OF SISTER EMMA PORTAEL : 15 AUGUST 1964 – 2024

On 19 October 2024, the Sisters of the Belgium region were delighted to join Sister Emma in celebrating her jubilee of 60 years of religious life.

We began with a time of prayer in thanksgiving for Emma's life and consecration. The theme of the texts she had chosen was '**When love is all you have**'. Love has been a central theme through her life. The Gospel was taken from Saint John 15, 12-17: '*Love one another as I have loved you*'.



After the prayer, Emma offered to each of us a beautiful card that she had creatively composed around the chosen theme as a souvenir of her jubilee.



We took this opportunity to express our trusting friendship to Marie Claire and to assure her of our prayers for the responsibility that the Lord has entrusted to her in the Congregation as Superior General. We were also delighted to have Pat visiting us.

As this was the first time we had met since our General Assembly in May, we also shared news of the General Chapter.



It was also an opportunity to officially welcome Bernadette among us, she left England at the end of May.

We continued the party with a festive snack.



CONGRATULATIONS  
DEAR EMMA

