

## Good Morning and Welcome Everyone!

Thank you Sr. Barbara for sharing your Jubilee day with me. It is truly an honor for me to celebrate this beautiful day with you. "This is the day our God has made, let us be glad and rejoice in it."

I give thanks to the Loretto community, and to my family and friends who have loved and supported me through the membership process. As a vowed member of this community I carry a part of the past, present and future of Loretto. I am choosing to commit my life with the community through active ministry in response to the gospel's call of faithful service to others.

I believe I belong to a life larger than my own. I am committed to the responsibility and accountability of vowed life in this community. I have committed myself to live simply and to hold all goods in common for the sake of the mission. I am relying on God's power at work within me to do more than I can ask or imagine. I continue to listen with an open heart to what I feel God is calling me to be and creating me to be.

The challenges in our global society urge me to work for justice and act for peace wherever I am. I am a Sister of Loretto living in the light of a changing world. I am nourished by the gospel and communal love with the endowment of hope to carry the future of Loretto forward. That same Spirit who inspired and guided our founders and all those gone before us gathers us in community today.

Together we walk by faith and not by sight. As a Sister of Loretto I strive to live the gospel fully with my community, and seek compassionate ways to serve my loving God.

To you, O God, I Donna Mattingly, in your presence Sister Cathy Mueller, President of The Sisters of Loretto do vow perpetual poverty, chastity and obedience, according to the constitutions of the Sisters of Loretto.

Barbara renews her vows, first part

Community recites second part

O God of all Mercy let this offering of my heart be acceptable in your eyes. Receive me into the arms of your infinite goodness, and grant me the grace so to fulfill that with which you have inspired me, that one day I may see you, praise you, and love you forever and ever. Amen.

Donna Mattingly  
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