

Welcoming Jubilee Year of Hope

During a Dec. 24 snowstorm, Sisters gathered in Carmel Chapel to welcome the newborn Jubilee Year with the theme, “Pilgrims of Hope”. The morning celebration included prayer, scripture and unveiling of a new Jubilee banner which will remain in chapel throughout the Holy Year.

The liturgy was facilitated by Roma De Robertis with Irene Buechler and Pat Poole. It coincided with opening of doors for the Jubilee Year by Pope Francis at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. The gathering concluded with each Sister being invited to bless Carmel Chapel doors. While closed to begin, the doors were then symbolically opened into the Holy Year.

Plans are underway for more liturgies and creative activities for the Jubilee Year which the universal church is celebrating until Epiphany 2026.

In photo, Sandra Barrett blesses Carmel Chapel doors. (Photo by Pat Poole)



Left to right~ Irene Buechler, Roma DeRobertis

Sandra Barrett and Pat Poole