



Nano's Echo

Newsletter of the International Presentation Lay Movement for Mission

(A Spirit-led initiative of the International Congregation of Presentation Sisters (Union) which celebrates and promotes the charism of Nano Nagle in new and creative ways)

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At the heart of our movement lies:

A partnership with the Divine

we attend to God each day and our actions are informed by that commitment.

A passion for the poorest

we stand with the poorest in society.

A covenant with creation

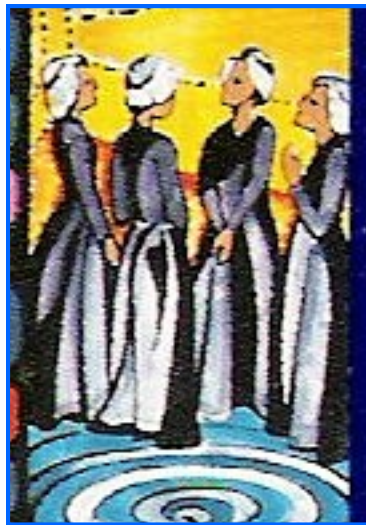
honouring all of creation, we live and promote sustainable lives.

Advent is the time of joyful expectation and waiting for the coming of Jesus Christ. It is a season of hope. The word advent means *coming* or *arrival*.

The *advent* or the *coming* or *arrival* season during Nano's time reached a milestone when the founding group prepared for Christmas Eve, 1775. This was the day Nano formally founded the Institute of the Charitable Instruction of the Sacred Heart of Jesus which was to become the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

It was Nano's joyful expectation to build a school for marginalised young girls. With boundless love, faith, courage and compassion for the poor,

Nano passionately educated the powerless of Cork in spite of the penal laws.



The *advent* before the birth of the Congregation was through her unceasing prayers, patiently going to the cabin school, waiting and preparing for a future full of hope. We know God honoured

Nano's faithfulness and joyful expectation and during Nano's lifetime five schools for girls and two for boys flourished.

Nano's last words would always be a reminder of an *advent* for us, a preparation to 'Love one another as you have hitherto done' and 'To take care of the children of the poor'. She role modelled for us to never give up whatever may happen.



What am I waiting and hopeful for?



How may I prepare for Christmas in the midst of global challenges that affect our common home, our country, our community, our family and ourselves?

Mildred Soldevilla PBVM
(Philippines)

We celebrated Presentation Day on 21 November. In case you missed Joyce Meyer's beautiful article from the Global Sisters Report on the Presentation of Mary here it is again.

[Click here for the Presentation of Mary in the Temple](#)

Is your emblem here?



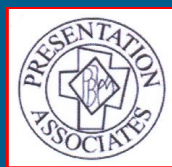
Australia



India



SW Ireland



USA



New Zealand



England

We have attempted to compile emblems that different units use. These are the ones we have discovered. Do you have one that you could send us? Is there a better photo you could provide? Is the one displayed still correct?

May the Son of the Living God be reborn in us this Advent Season

New Filipino Associates



Athena Sayson sent this photo of some of the 17 aspirant Associates attending a module on Nano's Spirituality & Mission given last September. It was led by Sr. Tessie Limsiaco, with Sr. Mildred Soldevilla. They were received as Associates on Presentation Day.

Celebrations in Pakistan

Link Sr Norris Nawab sent this photo of one of the Friends of Nano's Gatherings. They honour Nano Nagle's courage, strength, commitment and the enfolding mystery of her life.

The Sargodha group prayed and the hymn the Lady of the Lantern was acted in honour and thanksgiving of Nano's humble and gentle life.

Sr Norris Nawab also met the Peshawar group and shared the life of Nano and showed different images of her. The group shared their activities. They help children who have dropped out of school in their studies. They visit poor families and help people in need.



It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit. Harry Truman 1884—1972 (American President)

Where are we at as an International Presentation Lay Movement for Mission?

The Congregational Leadership Team asked us to produce a short video for the Oct/Nov Extended Leadership Team Meeting. The video covers the process of how we go about things, progress we have made so far and plans for the future. The video is about twelve minutes long. The sound quality is not too good at the beginning but does get better and some people have difficulty with the New Zealand accent. If you would like a transcript just e-mail us.

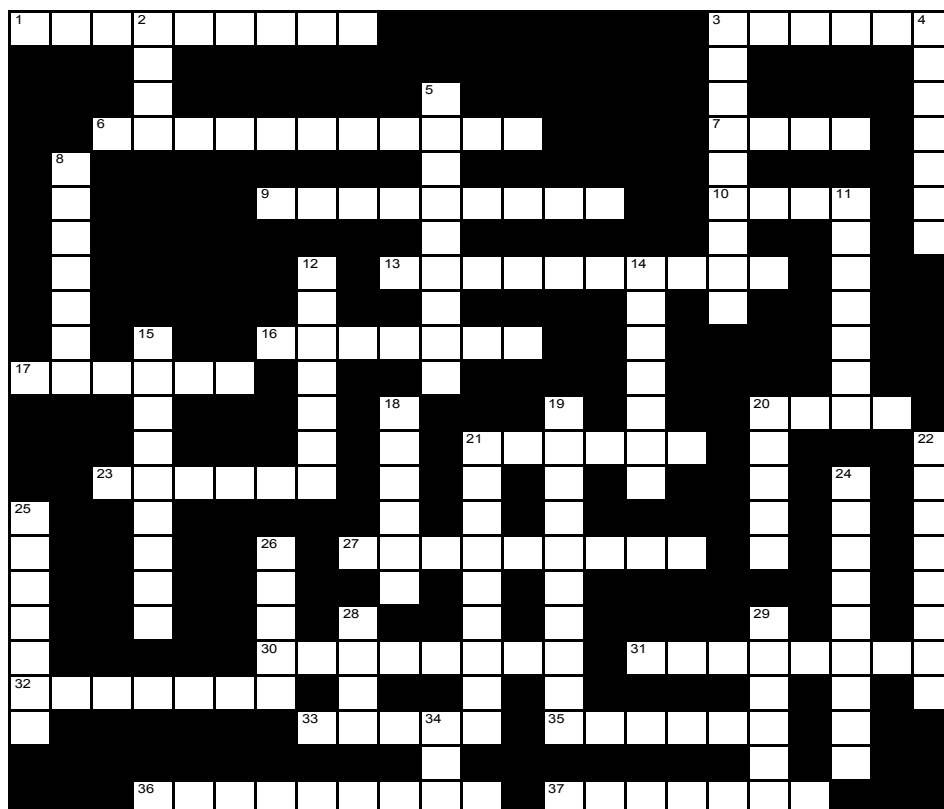
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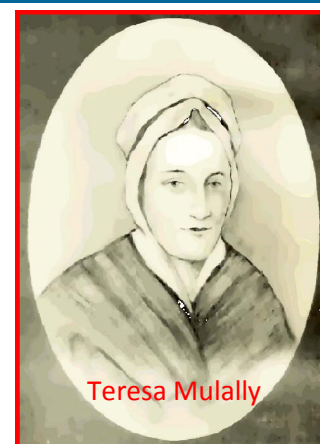
Drawing Sue McGregor pbvm Zambia

Teresa Mulally - Friend of Nano

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Have a go at the crossword puzzle.
You may like to try it either in a group or on your own.
If you want the solution e-mail
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and it will be sent to you.



Across

1. A major challenge for Nano, Teresa, and Eleanor with the Ursuline Sisters was their requirement to keep ..(9)
3. Miss Mulally started a .. in 1766. (6)
6. Father Philip Mulcaile, Mrs. Coppinger and Mr. John Bray were Miss Mulally's .. (11)
7. In 1778 Nano presents the idea of our .. being established in Dublin. (4)
9. Nano and Teresa were .. that the escape from poverty lay partly in education. (9)
10. Miss Mulally's first school was located on .. Lane. (4)
13. Teresa was a close family friend of Miss .. (10)
16. At 17 Teresa moved to .. to care for an elderly widow. (7)
17. Miss Mulally was Nano Nagle's .. (6)
20. In Oct. 1778 Nano and Teresa spent time together in .. (4)
21. During the 1916 Rebellion the George's Hill Convent and Schools were between two .. lines. (6)
23. The founding Sisters of the Georges Hill Convent were Sister M. Francis Xavier Doyle and Sister M. Ignatius Doran, both of whom had previously .. at the school. (6)
27. Teresa did not believe that students should have .. (9)
30. Miss Mulally taught the girls to pick up their.. if there was a police raid. (8)
31. Miss Fitzsimons and Nano both had connections with the .. Sisters. (8)
32. In 1784 Miss Mulally bought land that became .. Hill. (7)
33. The .. Laws were repealed in 1782. (5)
35. Teresa was an only daughter of .. and Elizabeth Mulally (6)
36. Currently the .. administer the George's Hill School. (9)
37. R Burke Savage named Teresa A .. Dublin Woman. (7)

Down

2. It is likely that Nano, Teresa and Miss Fitzsimons worshiped together in their childhood at the Mary's .. chapel. (4)
3. Teresa and Nano had deep devotion to the Blessed .. (9)
4. Miss Mulally used .. funds to support her schools. (7)
5. Teresa was educated by the .. Sisters. (9)
8. Miss Mulally was born in .. 1728. (7)
11. Miss Mulally was ten years .. than Nano. (7)
12. In 1794 the school was converted into a .. (7)
14. Miss Mullaly was a member of the St .. Parish. (7)
15. Teresa is known to have severe .. throughout her life. (9)
18. The parish priest of St. Finbarr's church in Cork Dr .. had strong links to Dublin. (6)
19. Nano and Teresa both experienced a relatively .. childhood. (10)
20. The police in Dublin were called the .. Forces. (5)
21. Nano's letters to Teresa discussed to their mutual .. difficulties. (9)
22. Miss Mulally was a .. by trade. (8)
24. Teresa made ointments and other .. for the poor. (9)
25. With great .. Teresa gave her life to God. (7)
26. In the letters between Nano and Teresa they often discussed .. (5)
28. The .. for a first offence of a papist teaching school was £20. (4)
29. Teresa Mulally grew up in .. (6)
34. Nano's mother .. lived in Dublin in the same parish as Teresa's family. (3)

Thanks to the Fargo Friends of Nano for creating this crossword. Looking for help? [Click Here](#)

‘Our Nano will be a saint yet!’

There are two more steps before Venerable Nano Nagle may be declared a saint. **A miracle is needed to promote the cause of Nano Nagle to be declared Blessed.** The Church must prove that a miracle has taken place through Nano’s intercession. You may consider using the prayer below to pray for a miraculous cure for a person with an incurable illness.

Prayer for help through the intercession of Venerable Nano Nagle

O Loving Creator God you filled the heart of Nano Nagle with a tenderness rooted in the compassionate Heart of Christ for the poor and the vulnerable of this world. Nano, through your prayer of intercession, assist us in our present need. (Pause) We pray that, like you, we may live in communion with God and with all of our sisters and brothers and the whole community of life. Amen

Prayer for New Membership and New Ways of Living the Charism

O God of our Universe
Whose divine wind sweeps across
And dances within all creation
Be with us as we struggle in hope
To bring to birth
New forms of living the Charism
And new forms of membership
In the Presentation Family.

Journey with us
And with all our co-pilgrims
As we create with you
A New Song for our times.

May Nano and all those who have gone before us
Light our lanterns of Hope and Perseverance
In this endeavour.

May we always recognize
That it is your work
At the service of your Kingdom
Of justice, peace and Love.
Amen

Submitted by Fargo

IPA Direction Statement



As Presentation people impelled by the radical gospel of Jesus and on fire with the spirit of Nano, we consciously choose to be drawn more deeply into the mystery of God, the mystery of Oneness and the reality of people and Earth made poor. Energised by this evolving consciousness we engage in expansive partnerships that move us to personal and systemic transformation.



Feedback and suggestions are welcome.
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