

THE BI CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS BEZIERS 3-6 MARCH

Aline Leonard

It all began with an exciting first for me – EUROSTAR. Evelyn joined me in London and off we set from St Pancras Station, on our ‘maiden’ journey on Eurostar. Actually, it was so smooth and fast we were in Lille before we knew it! How pleased we were to see friendly faces in Béziers, after the long but comfortable journey from Lille. Soon we were happily settled in Bon Pasteur and able to put names to faces.



The impressive talks and lovely liturgies began next day and there was little time to socialise with our Sisters from all over the Institute. In St Nazaire Cathedral, on the 4th March, the spectacular Presentation and Mass were very happy and joyful celebrations for us and the people of Béziers.



All came back to No. 21 and joined in the feast of food and wine. Between the presentations and liturgies we did manage to chat with our sisters in Bon Pasteur, in spite of having so little French.



A highlight for me was the guided tour, by Marion, of the Sources in the Mother House. I must own up to the fact that we did have some time to be out and about in Béziers, a special for me, because when I was in the Novitiate, this was forbidden.



All too soon we were on our way home; however, there will be more to share and photographs to show when the Millennium Group meets in Pen, soon.