

Madeleine Fitzpatrick's Golden Jubilee 22 May 2010

A spirit of joy and gratitude characterised the evening in All Hallows where Madeleine's family, friends, RSHM sisters and colleagues gathered to celebrate her Golden Jubilee.



*RSHM Sisters celebrating with Madeleine in All Hallows College
Rosie, Rosemary, Mary, Christine, Maisie
Anne, Madeleine and Ellen*

The celebrations began with a Mass of Thanksgiving which was followed by a beautiful leisurely meal. The many tributes paid to Madeleine both at the Eucharist and in the after dinner speeches were poignant and heartfelt. They had a simplicity and lightness of touch which highlighted each one's appreciation of Madeleine's life and work. Mention was made again and again of her generosity of spirit, her gifts of imagination and creativity and her great inter-personal and organisational skills which she used so effectively in her mission in the College.

It was obvious that Madeleine was deeply appreciated and I trust that she will carry with her cherished memories of the evening as she continues on her RSHM journey.

Madeleine, may God go with you!

As part of her jubilee celebrations Madeleine travelled to the RSHM Mother House in Beziers to meet with the other Golden Jubiliarians.

Madeleine, Martin, Bernadette and Brigitte in the Mother House in Beziers.



A further journey was made to visit Monique Domaigue RSHM who ministers to three churches/communities in the heart of the Pyrenees. Madeleine and her companions spent the day with Monique enjoying the beautiful surroundings and sharing experiences. Madeleine was very impressed by Monique and the ministry which she has carried out faithfully for years..

Monique outside one of the three churches where she ministers

Monique's house

