

## Sisters' news – Pre-lockdown

In April the Dunedin sisters were happy to welcome Sister Judith, who was moving to Dunedin after 20 years in Wellington, where she has been involved in the work of Challenge 2000 and L'Arche, as well as parishes in the Johnsonville area. This means that we no longer have sisters living in the lower North Island, though Sister Maureen keeps in touch with Dominican and other friends in Palmerston North and the sisters hope to maintain contact with the Dominican Family in the area.

Here are photos of Judith's return. She was accompanied by members of Challenge and her move was marked by an exchange of candles. The association with Challenge 2000 remains a rich one for both groups.



Ceremony in Dunedin to mark Sister Judith McGinley's move from Wellington  
Judith was accompanied south by Kitty McKinley and a group from Challenge 2000



Left: Flax woven basket gift from Challenge to Judith  
Centre: Candle gifted to Challenge by the Sisters. The words on each side of the star are the four pillars of Dominican life



Thanks to Kitty & Sister Paddy for these photos



In February we marked Sister Margaret Quinn's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday and later Sister Marie Twomey's 90<sup>th</sup>. All of our sisters in care have come through this time well. We are grateful for the loving care they have received.



Dunedin Sisters celebrating  
Sister Margaret Quinn's 98<sup>th</sup> birthday



During lockdown we have reflected on the life and words of Catherine of Siena, who lived through a time of plague. In particular we think of the specific ways this time of re-evaluation may have called us and our country to reflect on how we live, and how we might live with greater care for people and planet: "To the servant of God, every place is the right place and every time is the right time."