





## Report of the Renewal Celebration of our Associates' Commitment

**CANADA** - After a long period of estrangement due to the pandemic, the Montfortian associates of the Shrine of Mary Queen of Hearts were happy to meet again on Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to renew their commitment by giving new life to the sense of belonging to the family that we form as associates and to our availability to respond to the needs that arise.

During this celebration, Father Doris TOMBAOSA, SMM, our provincial, reminded us that by our baptism, we chose Jesus, Wisdom incarnated and invited us to renew this choice by the hands of Mary and by being docile to the calls of the Holy Spirit.

Then we made a symbolic gesture. Each partner came to lay a rose at the feet of Mary's statue to express his consecration to Jesus through Mary and the gift of his life and gave his signed commitment form, as the fruit of his consecration.

We are committed, this year, to favor attitudes and gestures of SHARING and we have presented a sponsorship project with another country, in collaboration with the Montfort Fathers.

Songs in honor of Mary enriched and raised the meaning of our approach. This celebration ended with the Prayer of Abandonment by Saint Charles de Foucauld.

We experienced a celebration imbued with interiority and this return to the sources foreshadowed a breath of fresh air and a renewed dynamism to our commitment.