

Final Professions of Sr. Christine Nanyombi and Sr. Margaret Nakafu

Blessed Sacrament Parish in Kimaanya, Masaka, Uganda was the venue for the perpetual commitments of Sisters Christine Nanyombi and Margaret Nakafu on 29 September 2018.



Liturgical dancers lead the procession.

The Mass began at 10:00 a.m. with a procession led by dancers, including small children in traditional Ugandan dress. They were followed by altar servers, MMMs, priests, deacons and the bishop. Bishop John Baptist Kaggwa of Masaka Diocese officiated at the celebration, which was in the local language, so almost everyone could follow the ceremony and participate fully.

The two MMMs, both from Masaka Diocese, were presented to the congregation by their parents. Family members and MMM Associates were selected to participate in the readings and presentation of gifts and symbols.

In his homily, Bishop Kaggwa said that religious life is a journey of love of God and neighbour, a journey of a continuous 'yes' uttered in faith. God sustains those who are called to religious life, which is lived in community. Sister Maria Gonzaga Namuyomba, MMM, spoke on behalf of our East/Central Africa Area. She thanked Christine and Margaret for saying 'yes' to God and urged them to continue to grow in their spiritual lives. Quoting Mother Mary Martin, she said, 'It is not the great work we do that matters, but who we are in the eyes of God.'



Srs. Margaret and Christine with their parents



MMMs with Bishop Kaggwa and priests who participated in the ceremony

On behalf of the Congregational Leadership Team, Sister Ekaete Ekop thanked the parents and everyone else present for the support they have given to the two Sisters and to MMM. She concluded by saying that the celebration they witnessed was not local but international because all MMMs were part of it.

A reception followed at the Masaka Diocese Social Centre. Everyone who attended enjoyed Ugandan delicacies and four different cultural dances. The MMMs took to the dance floor to celebrate.

Sister Margaret Nakafu is on mission in Honduras and Sister Christine Nanyombi is a student laboratory technician in Nsambya Hospital in Uganda.