## Congregation of the Sacred Hearts United States Province

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"So then, while we have the opportunity, let us do good to all, but especially to those who belong to the family of

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Dear Friends,

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"We live in community all our religious life. We also grow old in community. The community will acknowledge the particular contribution of older brothers... and take care of them as needed." 38th General Chapter, Mission, No. 35

Our thirteen "retired" brothers have served the Church a combined 785 years, and a total of 627 years of priesthood. Actually, they never retire but continue in limited ministry where they are able. This year we celebrate significant milestones in the lives of four of them.

Fr. Columban Crotty celebrates his platinum jubilee (70) of religious profession on September 14. Fr. Columban has worked in vocation and formation ministry, parish ministry, and congregation leadership at the provincial and general level. He has served in the missions of Japan, India and the Philippines. He currently works in the National Enthronement Center in Fairhaven.

Fr. James McDonough celebrates his diamond jubilee (60) of religious profession on August 22. He has worked in parish and retreat ministry. He served in many parishes in the mission of Japan for over 30 years. He has been director of Wareham Retreat Center and Damien Residence. He will soon transfer to St. Patrick Monastery in Honolulu and will work with the Japanese Catholic Community in the Diocese of Honolulu.

Fr. William Petrie also celebrates his diamond jubilee (60) of religious profession on August 22. Fr. Bill has worked in vocation and formation ministry, social ministry, parish ministry and leadership at the province level. He is the founder of our mission in India where he served for 25 years. He is currently the chaplain to our SS.CC. Sisters in Honolulu and helps in parish ministry.

Fr. Michael Shanahan celebrates his diamond jubilee (60) of ordination on June 21. He has worked in educational ministry, vocation and formation ministry, parish ministry and care home chaplaincy. He served in the mission of the Bahamas and spent 31 years in the mission in India. He currently helping with ministry at St. Joseph in Fairhaven.

You can read more about their lives and ministry on our website www.sscc-usa.com.

These brothers and all our older members deserve our best support in their final years. Will you help us care for our elderly brothers? Every contribution truly makes a difference in bridging the gap. Please be as generous as you can. You are in our prayers each day. May our Good God abundantly bless you.

Yours in the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

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## 4 Jubilarians in 2022

Fr. Columban Crotty: 70 years Professed; Fr. Michael Shanahan: 60 years Ordained

Fr. James Mc Donough: 60 years Professed Fr. William Petrie: 60 years Professed



To the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary:



## Celebrating our "Retired" Priests and Brothers 785 years of service



Left: Fr. Fintan Sheeran, Fr, Mathias Shanley, and Fr. Michael Kelly

Below: Fr. Martin Gomes, Fr. David Reid, Fr. Albert Garcia, Fr. Alphonsus McHugh,

Br. Paul Alves, and Br. James Rukavina



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