



## **CLOSING LITURGY 25th General Chapter**



Following the final session of the Chapter, the Liturgy of the Word, which took place in the Chapter Hall, included the solemn moments of the formal reading of the mandate given to the new General Administration, and the signing of the minutes of the Chapter.

The assembly then processed to the chapel carrying the Bible, a copy of the Orientation, and a copy of the minutes

signed by the Delegates. These were placed at the foot of the altar.

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### **FORMAL DECLARATION CLOSING OF THE CHAPTER**

In the context of the liturgical celebration, Sister Kesta Occident, President of the Chapter, formally declared the 25th General Chapter closed.



## CHRIST-LIGHT

Each member of the new administration was presented with a candle that was lit from the Paschal candle -- symbolic of the Christ-light burning in each one.



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## SENDING FORTH

Sister Kesta Occident gave a blessing of Sending Forth to the new leadership that consisted, in part, of the following:

“...The invitation you received and to which you have responded calls you to a total surrender of all you have known.

“This is what you are called to as members of the Administration of the Congregation of Holy Cross. You must step out..., to commit yourselves to this new journey, rooted in memories of the past, and to lean on the God of our new beginnings...

“A world awaits you, and God walks with you to bless you and all the People of God.”

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