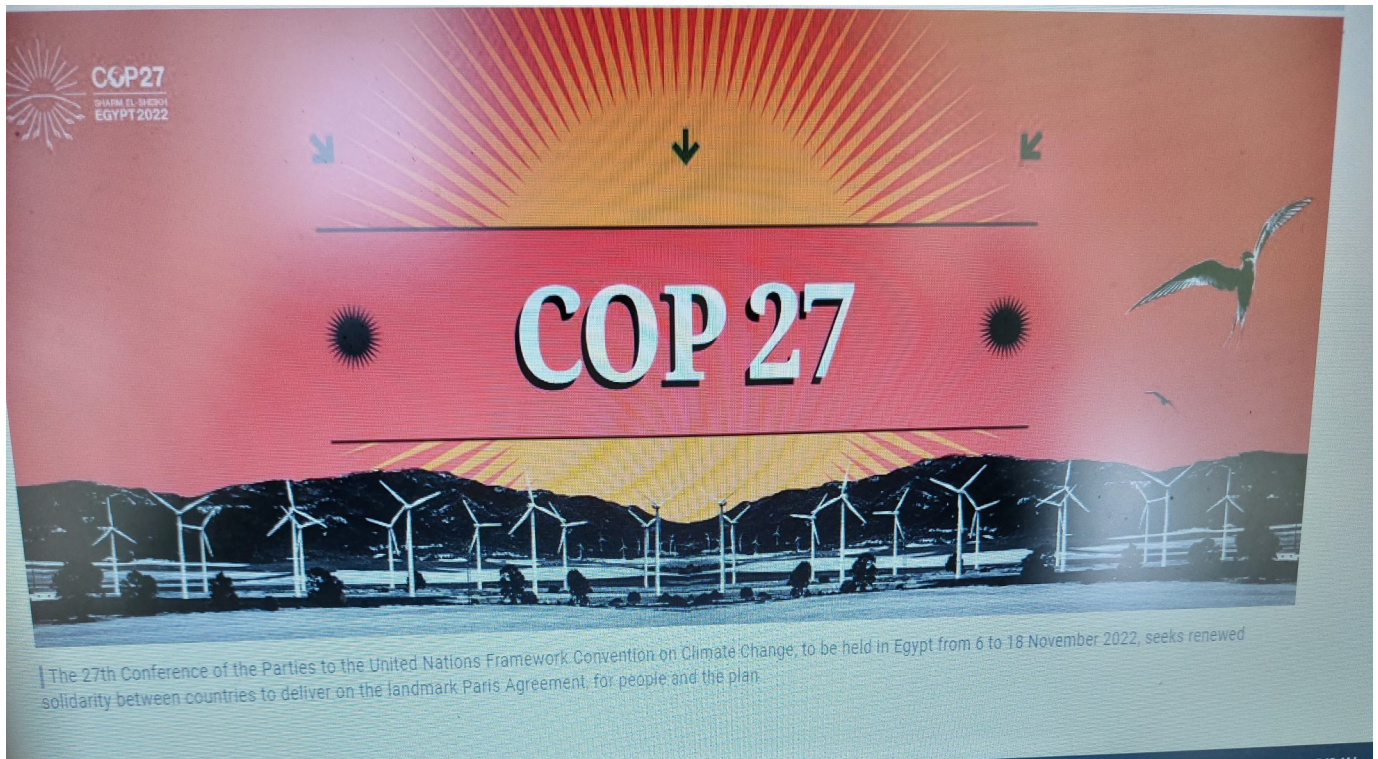


ZAMBEZI AREA MEMO OCTOBER 2022



From 6 to 18 November, Heads of State, ministers, and negotiators, along with climate activists, mayors, civil society representatives and CEOs are meeting in the Egyptian coastal city of Sharm el-Sheikh for the largest annual gathering on climate action.

The 27th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change – COP27 – builds on the outcomes of COP26 to deliver action on an array of issues critical to tackling the climate emergency – from urgently reducing greenhouse gas emissions, building resilience, and adapting to the inevitable impacts of climate change, to delivering on the commitments to finance climate action in developing countries.

Faced with a growing energy crisis, record greenhouse gas concentrations, and increasing extreme weather events, COP27 seeks renewed solidarity between countries, to deliver on the landmark Paris Agreement, for people and the planet..

Our communities are praying for a good outcome, some are joining the international community on the virtual pilgrimage, Shoeless on Sinai.

CONFIRMATION AT SICHUNDU, CHIVUNA.



Bishop Raphael Mweepwa confirmed 70 people at Sichundu Church in Chivuna parish. During his homily, he encouraged all the parishioners to work together as synod calls everyone to participate in church growth. He was impressed with the good number of those who were confirmed as a sign of the church's growth. The first two to be confirmed were two old men with walking sticks as seen above.

After lunch with the parishioners the Bishop visited St. Josephs secondary school .



THE BISHOP DISHING HIS MEAL FOLLOWED BY SR. LELIA

THE BISHOP VISITING THE PUPILS AT ST. JOSEPHS SEC SCHOOL



THE BISHOP INTERACTS WITH THE PUPILS



THE NIECE TO THE BISHOP

NEWS FROM CHOMA– OUR PRENOVICICES AT ST. MULUMBA



I Obrity Hachizumanana since the time I started my pastoral at St Mulumba special school am having a good experience that I never thought of before. I have now helped in all three departments and I have grown in accepting who I am and to appreciate God in my life. After classes I spend my time with the pupils learning sign language from them and by interacting with them I have learnt a lot and I really appreciate for the time that I was given to be here

I Luyando Simoonga, am doing my pastoral experience at St Mulumba's Special School. I have a good experience from the time that I came to St Mulumba's. I feel at home. I am learning so many things from the teachers, I learnt how to have patience, when am with the pupils .

Therefore I was so grateful on 5 October 2022 to be among the teachers celebrating teachers day with all the teachers in Choma district , and by interacting with them, I learnt a lot and am feeling grateful and happy to be with them, learning how to be a good teacher.



There was a Sister to Sister workshop in Makeni—Lusaka representatives from

Different congregations were present. The theme was Fundraising and Communication. The congregations were encouraged to start projects in the Communities/congregations for self sustainability to avoid begging syndrome. It was observed that most of the communities or congregations are on financial crisis because they used to rely upon outside help. But it's now time has come for the Religious women to be empowered.

INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATIONS AT UMOYO DAY CENTRE



It was great fun to have celebrated the independence with the children at Umoyo Day Centre before the actual day-24th October.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY(SCC)

On the 15th October Sr Elizabeth attended a day of recollection with the SCC at the Capuchin's novitiate in Lusaka. The theme of the recollection was "GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT". It was a moment of renewal for all the members of the SCC.



LUSAKA COMMUNITY

SR ELIZABETH AT KALUNDU STUDY CENTRE ATTENDING AN ASEC PROGRAM:



From the 12th September to the 7th October, Sr Elizabeth attended a short program on basic ICT at Kalundu study Centre in Lusaka. This is a three- year program organized by ASEC for the sisters in Africa. If you wish to know more about ASEC and the programs they offer please visit the website:

www.asec-sldi.org

A TALK WITH THE YOUTHS FROM THE CATHEDRAL ON MARY



October being the month of the Rosary, Sr Elizabeth had the privilege to give a talk to the youths of the cathedral on the five dogmas of Mary. Sr Elizabeth had to make the youths understand that the Catholic Church is guided by two important things: **SACRED TRADITION AND SACRED SCRIPTURE**. It was from this point that all else followed and we had a good sharing.



The Zambezi Area would like to wish Sr. Aelita all the best as she will be graduating on the 11th November 2022. We appreciate her strength, perseverance and hardworking spirit which has brought this fulfillment in her life and the whole congregation.

Congratulations!

CHINHOYI COMMUNITY



SRS, Naomi and Prief doing vocation promotion at Murombedzi at St. Kizito Parish.



MAKING PLAY DOUGH WITH THE CHILDREN AT UMOYO

It was fun and exciting to make play dough with the children at Umoyo since each child in a class participated fully and was aware of what we were doing.



**MONZE DIOCESE ORDAINED FOUR PRIESTS
AND DEACON.
AMONG THE FOUR TWO WERE SPIRITANS
OR HOLY GHOST FATHERS.**



The Pre- Novices Mercy and Irene both Zambians helping out at the clinic



packing the medicine.

GREETINGS TO YOU, THE RELIGIOUS SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART OF MARY.



I am Assumpta Siamangaba, a former pupil of
St Joseph's Secondary School,
Chivuna and am now a third year
Registered

Nursing Midwifery student at Lusaka College
of Nursing and Midwifery. Currently, am on an
exchange program between Metropolia Uni-
versity of Applied Sciences (Finland) and my
school till December. Am having a beautiful
experience here and the country men and

women are

hospitable, reserved and are not racist thus, there are a lot of people from
different parts of the world. school is going on well though quite different from
the school in Zambia. Here, they have exams for calculations of drugs at the
beginning of each semester and one is required to get everything right.

RSHM LIFE CARE CENTRE CLINIC—CHINHOYO

The clinic consists of 15 staff members. The administration department has 5 people, the nursing department consists of 5 people, 2 doctors and locum nursing staff.

Operation hours :

Monday—Friday 8:00am—16:00pm

Saturdays— 8:00am— 13:00pm

Maternity is 24 hours.

The clinic is closed on Sundays.



The clinic staff during Mass



If one doesn't, two more attempts are given. School is very bulky and lot of assignments have to be done. I have online classes twice every week and on other days, there are physical classes and at times both. It is very cold here, and it keeps getting colder 🥶. On other days, we have rains 🌧️. I attend Mass every Sunday which is celebrated in English and the singing and the readings are assigned to two different African Countries each Sunday. Previously, the time here was ahead by an hour to the time in Zambia but now it has become the same. Thank you, the Religious Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary for your generous support. God bless you all 🙏.

MAY THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE CONTINUE RESTING IN PEACE

Sr. Margaret Ellen O'Connel

Sr. Maureen Murray

Ir. Olinda de Jesus Amorim

Ir. Maria Julia Silva

Ir. Maria Alice Guimarães

Ir. Conceição Franqueira

REMEMBERING SR. CATHERINE GOUGH



Zambezi Area and the whole Institute still mourns the death of Sr. Catherine Gough. A very strong, hardworking woman full of zeal and the love of the Institute. Surely we shall keep her memories alive. Therefore few people were requested to share their experience with her. The next memo will soon come out before month end called **“CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF SR. CATHERINE GOUGH”**. We shall hear different people who have lived with her sharing their experiences with us. Please if you were not approached and you are willing to share your story you are most welcome to do so.

MAY HER SOUL REST IN PEACE.