

Dear fellow members,

The 1st of April is the beginning of my time as Diocesan President. It is also Maundy Thursday when Jesus said to the disciples;

'So if I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have set you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you' (John 13:14-15).

As Christians we know the example set by Jesus and the aims of the Mother's Union help us to focus our mission and ministry. I very much look forward to joining you all on the journey to prayerfully respond to God's call and to reach out as His hands in the world with love, mercy, justice and compassion. I offer my sincere thanks to those who have trod the path before and to Carolynne who has fulfilled the DP role recently.

As we pray today for the work and the workers of the MU in Sudan: Juba, Maridi, Yambio and Yei; Rwanda: Kigali; Nigeria: Ogoni; Canterbury: Ely we know that the darkness of Maundy Thursday and Good Friday will turn into the brightness, awesomeness, glory and joy of the Resurrection. God gave His only Son so that we will have life everlasting!

I wish you a happy Easter and look forward to meeting you all in the near future. It would be great to meet up at the Diocesan service on the 15th May at Holy Trinity, Ayr when members and chaplain will be commissioned and the preacher will be the then consecrated Bishop Gregor Duncan.

Love

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