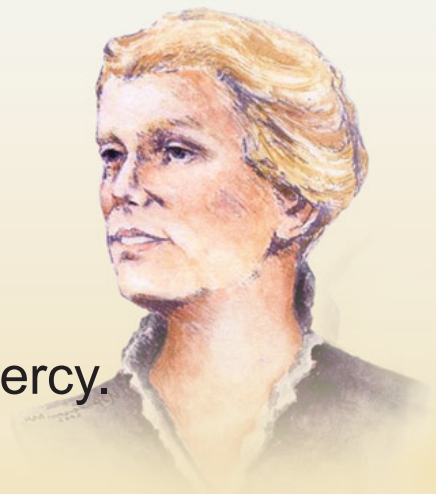




Prayer for the Year of Consecrated Life

Great Trinity of Life,
You affirm in Your Being
the love of variety,
and the difference that is unity.
Bless our diversity on the Gospel path,
the marvellous and myriad ways of Mercy.
In this Year of Consecrated Life
we pray especially for all Sisters of Mercy.
May their lives be true expressions of the life of Jesus,
their spirit one with the spirit of Catherine McAuley.
In these complex times
give them the wisdom of clear vision,
the humility of honest appraisal,
and the courage for bold endeavours.
May they live in simple joy and integrity,
be strong in the kinship of their calling,
and share their table with all seekers of Mercy.
May each one, young and old, fit or frail,
be lifelong animators of Mercy.



Amen.