



# First Profession of Srs. Jenifa and Sujatha

*"This is the day that the Lord has made,  
let us be glad and rejoice"*

On 31st July 2017 when the Congregation celebrates the birthday of our dear Foundress, St. Mary Euphrasia Pettetier, two of our Novices Jenifa and Sujatha were privileged to make their first profession. We are grateful to God for these two sisters who dedicated their lives to Jesus, the Good Shepherd and for His shepherding mission. The presence of the Children from Karunalyam, a Home for disadvantaged children, highlighted the mission aspect of our life. On this birthday of our Foundress we celebrate their common birthday. They were very much in our thoughts and prayers that day. Inspired by the life and charism of our Foundress and the mission of the Congregation, Jenifa and Sujatha chose the theme: "Called to be with Jesus and to be sent out for His Mission of Shepherding".

Fr. Bali SDB (Bala Swamy), the Administrator of Prem Nivas, Mangalagiri, celebrated the Eucharist along with five other concelebrants. Basing his homily on the theme of Consecrated life, Fr. Bali exhorted us to be shepherdesses giving life and joy to the people on the margin.

Sr. Sabina Pathrose, our Province Leader and her team Srs. Mariam, Aruna, Pushpa and Mercy Geroje were present to pray and bless Sujatha and Jenifa. The presence of our sisters from the Province, sisters of other Religious communities and our Lay Mission Partners added joy to this occasion. This was also a sign of the constant support, appreciation and encouragement we receive from them throughout the year in our mission of initial formation and we are very grateful.

After the celebration of the Eucharist we congratulated the newly professed and wished them God's blessings in their endeavor to grow more and more to be like Jesus and walk in His footsteps as taught by St. John Eudes and St. Mary Euphrasia Pettetier.

**Srs. Anto & Cecilia**

