

Prayer Service and Meal Preparation for 175th anniversary in St. Julie Convent, Busesa, Uganda



On Sunday, January 26, 2025, we joined in a special prayer service during which we reflected deeply on the life and teachings of St. Julie, our spiritual mother. Our day was filled with prayer, reflection, and a communal meal that not only nourished our bodies but also connected us spiritually to the global Notre Dame family.

The day began with a heartfelt reflection on St. Julie, who continues to inspire us with her unwavering faith, dedication to service, and commitment to education and empowerment. As we meditated on her life, we recognized the relevance of her example in our own lives, especially in a world that needs love, compassion, and guidance.

After this powerful reflection, we transitioned into a moment of Adoration, where we gave thanks and prayed, seeking strength and wisdom for the journey ahead. This time of quiet reverence crowned the day, bringing us closer to the divine as well as to each other as a community.

In the spirit of unity with our sisters of Notre Dame around the globe, we then prepared a meal together, joining in the common tradition of sharing a meal that unites us in faith and in love. Our meal preparation was both a spiritual and practical endeavor. For the evening meal, we served spaghetti with a generous topping of fresh greens, which added a vibrant, nutritious touch to the dish. To finish the meal on a sweet note, we baked a special cake which we enjoyed as a delightful dessert, bringing joy to all who shared it. As we sat together, enjoying the food we had prepared with love and care, we felt the presence of our global community.

The prayer service and meal preparation were beautiful expressions of faith, unity, and tradition. They reminded us of the power of prayer, the importance of community, and the simple joy of sharing a meal with others. Through the reflection on St. Julie's life and the act of breaking bread together, we deepened our connection to God and to one another.

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