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We share with joy and gratitude the news of our life and mission in Peru during the month of January.

CELEBRATION OF THE EPIPHANY

We celebrated the Epiphany with a festive lunch in the company of all the local communities and with our special visitors, Sally Harper and Mary McGlone. Gloria blessed the table using the image of the Star of Bethlehem and prayed that the Star also be our guide during our time together in the Assembly.



VICE-PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY 2022

The guiding thread of our Assembly was around the "gift" that God offers us to share with our dear neighbor. Sisters Sally Harper and Mary McGlone served as our facilitators and helped us to share, discuss and look together at some important issues for our life and mission as Sisters of Saint Joseph in Peru.

We began with a prayer in which we shared our gifts and wrote them on a star that adorned the tree.



Then we exchanged gifts between the local communities through a drawing. The Trinitarian Community gave a gift to Casa VP San José, who gave a gift to Fontbonne Community, who gave a gift to the Great Love of God Community. Sally and Mary also shared gifts.



Our facilitators offered us opportunities to pray, reflect, dialogue, make decisions, and plan regarding matters important to us.



On January 7th we had a meaningful ritual to begin the process of formation of Associates, as eleven women shared their desire to begin this process. The curious thing was that we had a power outage that night and our meeting became a special evening where the light of God was shining brightly in the wishes expressed by the

eleven "Amigas de San José". We ask for your prayers to accompany this new process that the Vice Province is beginning.



We ended the Assembly with guidance from the Acts of Chapter VP Plan committee to set direction for our year together. We reviewed the 5 calls of the 2019 Chapter and ratified our commitment to deepen them in all individual actions and communications.



We ended with a beautiful prayerful celebration prepared by Sr. Mary McGlone. This included the sending forth and closing of the Assembly.





We enjoyed after-dinner conversations and being together with one another.



We are very grateful for all the help that Sally and Mary gave us. We hope to continue counting on their presence in future meetings.



VISIT TO CARAPONGO

On January 27, Gloria, Maria and Maritza went to visit sisters Mariana (Mary Ann) and Ruth in Carapongo. They enjoyed conversation together on the eve of Mariana's birthday.

