The Sixmilebridge Branch of Apostolic Workers was founded in April 1974.

The First Officers were:

President: Mrs. Maureen Donnellan Secretary: Miss Peggy Wylde R.I.P. Treasurer: Mrs. Ann Quinlan. R.I.P.

The Spiritual Director was Fr. Martin Ryan R.I.P.

Meetings were held on a regular basis in the Parochial house. Later on the meetings transferred to the Parochial Hall close by the Church and then moved again to the G.P. Room in the Church, where the branch meet up to the present time. Displays are held in the Parochial hall every year in March.

When the branch was founded back in 1974 there were twenty members, most of whom are gone to their eternal reward, may they Rest in Peace. Then members dropped out along the years. Some new members joined and by 1990 there were approx ten members.

At present there are six members, but help is available from very willing home workers, who do knitting, crochet and embroidery. We also have two woodworkers who make crucifixes and candle holders.

All those items are used on the missions. That's just a very brief history of the Branch.

Present Officers:

President & Secretary: Mrs. Mai Frost Treasurer: Mrs. Maureen Tobin





Opening Prayer

Let us pray.

May we recognise Christ has no body now on earth, but ours. No hands but ours. No feet but ours. Ours are the eyes with which He looks with compassion on the world. Ours are the feet by which He can go about doing good. And ours are the hands by which others will be Blessed and comforted.

Give us the insight to use these gifts for the good of others.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.



A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. One may have the gift of preaching with wisdom given him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of preaching instruction given him by the same spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the same Spirit; another again the gift of healing, through this one Spirit; one, the power of miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of recognising spirits' another the gift of tongues, and another the ability to interpret them. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, who distributes different gifts to different people just as he chooses.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation!

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to *Matthew.*

Jesus said to his disciples;

"You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men." "You are light of the world. A city built on a hilltop cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on a lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in Heaven" *This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

We remember this evening all deceased members of the Apostolic Work Society. Grant them eternal Rest. *Lord hear Us.*

Thank you Lord for all Apostolic Workers who work tirelessly for the Missions. *Lord Hear Us.*

We pray for all priests, nuns and lay workers in the mission countries. Help them Lord to continue their work. *Lord Hear Us.*

For all who work quietly and unnoticed at Apostolic Work in Sixmilebridge Parish and around the Diocese of Killaloe, may we continue to use the skills and talents God has given us.

Lord Hear Us.

