



Farewell

We, the Sisters of St Joseph of Annecy, have been part of the local community around this area for over 90 years. The Sisters arrived here in 1930 and opened a school in Downham in 1936. We have been involved in education at junior and senior level ever since. In 1940 we opened a Home for Children in Somertrees Avenue, Grove Park, which was known to many of you. When the Home closed in 1989 eight Sisters moved to Mottingham and we have been a presence here ever since. We continued to be involved in education and parish work. We served in Good Shepherd Parish and in Our Lady Help of Christians over these years.

Now it has been decided to close our house at 12 The Crossway, Mottingham and move to Llantarnam Abbey in Wales. This is our main house of the English Province. We are saddened to leave our friends here in Mottingham, Chislehurst and Downham. We have so many happy memories of our time here and of our links with all of you, and we assure you that you will always be in our prayers.

We wish all of you and your families every blessing.

May the seeds sown here over 90+ years bear fruit in plenty?

Sisters Mary, Monica, Collette and Henrietta