

COMMUNION CHALICE



A beautiful **Sterling Silver Communion Chalice** with gold wash was donated to the Wellington Chapel (New Zealand) by Sr Dympna Keane

Sr Dympna donated the Chalice in 1956 in memory of her mother, father and brother and had the dedication engraved around the base. The Chalice was made in Dublin by Silversmith Larry Gunning. It has elaborate decorative work around the base and stem with a cross on the front featuring a red stone. It is housed in a custom-made wooden box with red silk lining

In later years, the Chalice had been used for Mass in the Mary Potter Community Centre (Christchurch) and was placed in the Archives when no longer required.



Sr Dympna Keane

Sr Dympna was born in Tipperary, Ireland and entered the LCM in Sydney in 1914.

After spending some time at Lewisham Hospital (Sydney) and Wagga Wagga, Sr Dympna transferred to New Zealand in 1948 where she took charge of Calvary Hospital, Wellington.

Although Sr Dympna was very home sick for Ireland, there is no mention that she ever returned after she entered the LCM in Australia. She was fiercely proud of her homeland and never lost any of her Irish brough.

Sr Dympna died in Wellington in 1974 and is buried at the Karori cemetery.