

## CIRCLE THE CITIES WITH LOVE

On Sunday, January 15, some 100 people gathered at Infant Jesus Church in Nashua, New Hampshire, and joined with 105 other groups that gathered in the US, Australia, and Guam to *Circle the Cities with Love*. This community of faith included men and women from diverse faith traditions as well as representatives of five religious communities of women and men. The Sisters of Holy Cross, including Associates and a significant delegation of retired sisters from St. George Manor, were well represented.

The organizers of *Circle the Cities with Love* invited women and men of faith to come together, holding hands, in prayer and in silent meditation. This thirty-minute action was designed as a manifestation of “the power of LOVE from which healing, peace, and justice might flow to our cities, our country and our world.” (from the *Circle the Cities with Love* mission statement.)

We are grateful to Sister Denise Turcotte, CSC, who planned, organized, and led this gathering as well as to all who assisted her. Denise learned of this event from a recent participant in the Berakah Program, who was one of the organizers of the national event. Sister Denise is to be commended not only for undertaking this endeavor but also for taking the opportunity to proclaim to those assembled the stand for non-violence taken by the Sisters of Holy Cross. We also extend our gratitude to Father Pierre Baker, Pastor, who not only graciously accepted to host the event at Infant Jesus Church but participated as well.

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