

Sr Theresa Tighe - Daughter of Charity



As a young teenager of 13, I was inspired by an innate **compassion**, which drew me to **desire** to work with people who were **living in poverty**. This desire led me to do some **voluntary work** in St Vincent's School for the Deaf and Blind in Glasgow where the **Daughters of Charity** worked with the **children** and their families. **I had a sense of 'belonging' and wanted more.**

I went later, to work with the **Daughters of Charity** in London with children who were struggling in family life. By the age of 17 I realised the Spirit was inviting me to **fully commit myself** to work with my sisters and brothers who live on the **margins of our society** by serving God as a Daughter of Charity.

St Vincent tells us that, '**Kindness is the Key to Hearts**' we know if we are kind we will meet God face to face in the other person. St Louise our foundress reminded us "Be gentle and courteous with the poor. You know that they are our Lords and Masters and we must love them tenderly and respect them deeply".

How graced I feel to be called to serve God in those who are poor, knowing that I am called to meet God in each person I serve.

