

The Deutschland Chapel

At the motherhouse in Wheaton, the Deutschland Chapel was dedicated on July 21, 1994 to honor the 5 sisters that drowned in the wreck of the *Deutschland*. The center piece of the chapel is a quilted artwork commissioned by the Wheaton Franciscans. It was made by Sr. Josephine Niemann and the Sisters of the Liturgical Fabric Arts of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in Saint Louis. The vivid imagery found in Hopkin's poem is intricately detailed in the wall-hanging. In the center hangs a cross with 5 small glass spheres. Each of the arms of the cross bears a sphere containing a piece of habit representing the 4 Sisters whose bodies were recovered. The sphere at the center of the cross is empty and represents the unrecovered body of Sr. Henrica Fassbender.

