



Photo by Carol Haggarty, RSCJ

To revitalize our unity in diversity and to *act as one Body*, dynamic, interconnected, linked with other bodies, in the world and as Church, in order to share, collaborate, and be in solidarity among ourselves and with others.

General Chapter 2016

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Provincial Team Report

The Provincial Team welcomed Mary Finlayson to her first full Team meeting. It is a delight to have her with us. At the same moment, we are acutely experiencing the loss of Carol Haggarty in our office as we worked daily with her and she kept us on track in so many large and small ways. A huge thank you Carol for all you have done in the Province over the years and especially during these years at the Provincial Office. You are dearly missed. Dot Schmerbauch graciously agreed to come and lend a hand until we are able to find another person for the office. No one will be able to replace Carol! Thank you Dot.

During this meeting, the upcoming Assembly was uppermost on our minds. The Planning Committee had met, and had put together a teleconference. They reported to the Team their plans to date, and as this is an Assembly following a General Chapter, the primary focus of the Assembly is the document from the General Chapter.

Fran Gimber came to tell us of the publications that were being prepared by various persons and the probable dates for publication. There are many in the works and as they are ready there will be a notification in Update.

The Bicentennial Committee is very busy these days. All has been set in motion for the Opening of the Bicentennial on June 23rd, the Feast of the Sacred Heart. This liturgy will be celebrated in the chapel at Villa Duchesne in St. Louis at 5:00 pm and will be live streamed so others are able to participate in the Liturgy of the Word.

During this Team time, members of the Sculpture Committee met to choose the sculpture of St. Philippine Duchene that has been commissioned for the garden of the Cathedral. There were three finalists and the choice was difficult, and in the end it was unanimous.

This is the time of year when many are discerning moves within the Province, and as a result the Team spent considerable time looking at the needs that we have and the discernment of several persons. We are most grateful to all those persons who have taken our requests so seriously and done such thorough discernments.

Suzanne Cooke, from the Conference came and met with us at the Provincial Offices. Accompanying Suzanne, was Claire Lorentzen who will join the staff at the Conference and the Network offices in Washington. Many of you will have an opportunity to meet her at the Assembly this summer. Welcome Claire.

Imma de Stefanis spent a day and a half with us reviewing and re-focusing the Strategic Plan. This work was most helpful for all of the Team and helped Mary Finlayson view the scope of the whole Province.

The final report of the Health and Wellness committee is completed and will be posted soon on the Province web-site. This is an enormous work and we thank all those members of this committee for their diligent work.

As the Board of Directors of the Province Corporations has to change with a change of Provincials, we held 17 Corporation meetings and voted in a new Board of Directors for each of the Province Corporations in the USA. We will do so for the two Canadian Corporations during the May Gathering of Detroit/ Canada in Halifax in May.

Our next Provincial Team meeting will take place in California from April 19- 25. The Team will attend the Network meeting and some will stay to attend the AASH meeting, both of which follow immediately after our Team Meeting.

This brings wishes for a Blessed and Holy Easter Season.

Anne Maríe for the Provincial Team

STUART CENTER

by Vicky Rajca

Spring is coming to Washington early, and the Stuart Center already has purple hyacinths popping up all over. While that is happening outside, the dining room is receiving a facelift. The new chairs arrived in time for the Network of Sacred Heart Schools meeting for Summer Project Coordinators, and new windows are being installed throughout the entire building. The original windows have served us well but were not energy efficient, either in the winter when they let cold air in and heat out, or in the summer when they allowed the building to lose the air conditioning and to collect condensation.

The Conference Center is busy, and the painting of the dining room needs to be scheduled around the many groups that use that room. From March 18 through the 30, the Stuart Center will be hosting a group from Latin America, which is being sponsored by the Columban Fathers. We will provide housing and meeting space for delegates from the Amazon region of the Inter-American Human Rights Commission, who will be presenting cases of human injustices and trafficking to the Commission Board on Capitol Hill. Taizé prayer on March 12, sponsored by the JPIC Office, will bring people to the Stuart Center for prayer, reflection and fellowship. On March 18, the JPIC office will sponsor an Earth Friendly Forum for groups in the Brookland area engaged in work that protects or beautifies the environment. Tables and presentations will include topics on gardening, solar energy and composting.

While things were happening here at the Stuart Center, Imma De Stefanis and Reyna Gonzalez were in Puerto Rico where they were conducting the Summit Leadership Academy with students from the University of Sacred Heart and meeting with the president, executive staff, faculty and board to present workshops on the Society's mission, spirituality and the calls of the 2016 Chapter. They are doing the same with RSCJ-related or -sponsored ministries such as the Sacred Heart school in Ponce, Cantera, *Descubriendo Juntos* and the spirituality center in Baranquitas. Last, but certainly by no means least, there was a presentation with our elder sisters at Monteflores on the University campus. The two weeks have included every RSCJ and every ministry.

The Stuart Center is a busy place, but not so busy that each person and each office is not conscious of the chapter calls, whether we are engaging in activities that help ourselves and others to reach new frontiers or providing a space that embraces silence and allows the people who come here to live and serve in a more human way.

ARCHIVES

by Michael Pera

Requests from Sacred Heart schools always generate fascinating avenues of research. Since the merging of the US and Canadian archives, we at the archives have had the opportunity to explore whole new areas of our growing collection. Below is one of our most recent subjects.

The City of Halifax is preparing to commemorate the centennial of the 1917 Halifax Explosion, one of the most powerful and devastating non-nuclear explosions in history. When reporting on the atomic bombing at Hiroshima, *Time* described the explosion in terms of the Halifax Explosion: "Hiroshima being approximately seven times more powerful than the Halifax Explosion." Despite its impact, it is not well known in the United States today.

In the morning of 6 December 1917, the SS Mont-Blanc, a merchant ship laden with explosives for use during World War I, collided with another vessel, the Imo, sparking a fire in the Narrows of Halifax harbor. That fire quickly got out of control, and at 9:04, the *Mont-Blanc* detonated with 2.9 kilotons of force. Approximately 2000 people were killed and another 9000 injured. Every structure within a half mile was completely destroyed. The Sacred Heart Convent, just under two miles from the explosion, survived the explosion, but was extensively damaged. Reading the inventory of damages from the convent leads one to wonder if it would have been briefer to list those few things undamaged. Flora MacDonnell, RSCJ, describes the moment of the explosion in vivid detail. "All the ground under the building seemed to give three great successive movements in rapid succession. The next instant came the noise and a shower of glass from the opposite end of the room straight against the wall behind me. I instinctively lowered my head and I think my cap saved me from cuts." She goes on to describe the aftermath and the miraculous survival of the convent and its occupants in a letter to her mother. "...the two Sisters reported killed were not, though one fell through two floors that gave way. The papers will tell you about the terrible loss of life. The North End is literally wiped out....Our escape is nothing less than marvelous, such heavy doors and double windows and heavy sashes sent flying all about and no one lost an eye. That is one of the particularly sad features of the disaster; hundreds, young and old, had their eyes put out by flying glass." The convent was guickly put to service housing injured and homeless children, as well as over sixty American nurses who were serving in the relief effort. This service was sorely needed in Halifax, as a blizzard began to block relief trains on the eighth. Despite the privations and ceaseless labor in the convent, there was space for joy and humor to creep in. Mary Wallace, RSCJ, records in her account the experience of convent residents forced by circumstance into close company with the homeless children and American nurses. "Tuesday: In charge of nurses' refectory...68 in house! Some very friendly, some stare curiously. One Catholic says a young Protestant had said 'it is very spooky here with those weird black creatures gliding around in the dark!' " Mother Wallace ends her account with a reminder of hope. "On the Third of January, Reverend Mother said school would open on the eighth. Children so glad to return to be taught under electric light and behind tarpaper windows! So we are to live on."

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Age-Related Hearing Loss

by Karen O'Rourke, RN

As we age, most of us will develop some degree of hearing loss. People lose their hearing when they age because of changes in the entire hearing system. Age related hearing loss is called presbycusis. It usually happens in both ears and may affect the person's ability to understand speech. Untreated hearing loss can lead to increased depression and anxiety due to increased social isolation. Hearing loss affects not only the person with hearing loss but often community members, family and friends. There are some simple things these people can do to help the person with hearing loss carry on a normal conversation: Speak clearly and in a normal tone of voice. Don't shout. Shouting makes it more difficult for the person with hearing loss to understand. Get the person's attention before speaking. Keep your hands away from your face. Talk in quieter places.

Some tips people with hearing loss can use for better listening: Get closer. Don't try to listen to someone who is in another room. Go where the talker is. Ask the person talking to slow down when she/he is talking too fast. Ask the person speaking to turn so you can see his/her face. Don't bluff! Let the speaker know when you are having trouble hearing or understanding.

If you suspect you have hearing loss, see your primary care provider. A medical exam will determine if your hearing loss is medically treatable. If appropriate, you will be referred to a licensed audiologist to determine whether you are a candidate for hearing aids. With a medical referral, Medicare beneficiaries can get a complete hearing test at no cost. The hearing test begins with a thorough discussion about your lifestyle, listening needs, medical history and any other concerns you may have. The audiologist will perform several tests to determine what benefits you can expect from aids. Following testing, the audiologist will explain the results and work with you to develop a plan to improve your hearing and communication. This discussion is important for understanding your hearing loss and what you can expect from hearing aids if they are recommended for you. With a better understanding, the audiologist may recommend hearing assistive technology (e.g., telephone amplifiers, TV devices, audio loops) to help you hear well in situations where hearing aids may be of less help. If hearing aids are recommended, you will continue to work with the audiologist to ensure that the hearing aid is meeting your needs. If possible, take another RSCJ or family member with you to your appointments. It is important for someone else to understand how you communicate best. Successful management of hearing loss involves more than getting a hearing aid. Stay Well.

BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

St. Louis Walk of Fame

Good news! On the Feast of the Sacred Heart this year, Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne will be honored with a star on the St. Louis Walk of Fame. The induction event will take place at her star and informative plaque at 6241 Delmar in The Loop on June 23. (Time to be announced.)

The St. Louis Walk of Fame consists of sets of brass stars and bronze plaques honoring individuals who either were born in the St. Louis area or spent their formative or creative years here and had a national impact on our cultural heritage. Google "St. Louis Walk of Fame" to see the distinguished company she joins!

Each star contains the name of an honoree; an accompanying plaque contains a brief summary of the honoree's accomplishments, thus making this Walk of Fame educational as well as enjoyable. The stars and plaques are permanently set into the sidewalks of the The Loop, centrally located in the St. Louis area.

The selection committee comprises 120 St. Louisans, including chancellors and department heads of area universities; key people at libraries and arts and historical organizations; the media; and other people with a knowledge of the cultural heritage of St. Louis.

Sculpture of Philippine ~ Finalist Has Been Selected

The sculpture of Philippine for the prayer garden at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis is one step closer to reality! The sculpture committee met in mid-March to interview the three semi-finalists. The committee spent 60 to 90 minutes with each artist, who each created a maquette (or clay model) of what he envisioned for the sculpture.

Philippine will be seated with a map on her lap, thinking of her future in the New World. Benches will be placed on both sides of the sculpture so that visitors may sit with her.

Gianfranco Tassara of Inspired Artisans in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was awarded the project. Next steps include tweaking the design for accuracy. Since the maquette is made of clay, changes can easily be made at this beginning stage of the process.

The sculpture committee: Kathleen Hughes, RSCJ; Shirley Miller, RSCJ; Linda Behrens, bicentennial communications; Donna Heckler, communications director; Tom Fasl, finance manager of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis; and Anne Carleton, chair of the Cathedral Garden Committee. Patty Arnold, vice president for advancement at Webster University, is also assisting the committee with fundraising for the sculpture.

The Duchesne Hymn

And more good news! The new Duchesne Hymn by composer Jan Michael Joncas will be recorded by the choir at Newton Country Day School and available on the bicentennial website by the end of April.



ASSOCIATES

by Diane Roche

The Washington, DC, Area Associates of the Sacred Heart Group "Courage and confidence! I cannot repeat this war cry too often. We should make it our support in our life of conflict." Saint Madeleine Sophie Barat.

For two years, our group of over fifteen women in the greater Washington, DC, area has been enriching our lives through living the spirituality of the Society of the Sacred Heart. Our coordinator is Amy Richardson with Pat Geuting, RSCJ, and Pat Byers as co -coordinators. Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart graciously hosts us for our meetings. Before our weekday meetings at Stone Ridge, we are able to join with members of its community at a regularly scheduled liturgy in the chapel. As we began our journey to discover and make known the love of the Heart of Jesus Christ, we followed the spirituality materials of the Associates Sacred Heart for the first year. What began as different women meeting together slowly transformed our hearts into uniting to pray as one. Each woman—Religious of the Sacred Heart, Sacred Heart alumna, and member of the Stone Ridge community—shared her special love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We ended our first year celebrating the feast of St. Madeleine Sophie with a liturgy followed by a dinner with Religious of the Sacred Heart in the Washington area.

Before we began our second year, a few of us met at the Stuart Center to plan a schedule with Diane Roche. However, our first priority was to discuss ways to appeal to more women who wanted to become Associates. We found that our weekday meeting dates and location presented a conflict for women with outside commitments, particularly to jobs and family. We decided that changing meeting dates and rotating meeting locations would help to remove that barrier. Along with those changes, we developed a theme for each upcoming meeting, around which an Associate was to volunteer to prepare a presentation for our group. Naturally, to keep us on course, we created a spreadsheet containing all that information to share with the group. In connection with the Eastern Regional AASH Conference last November, we invited all Associates and alumnae at that event to join us for Mass at Georgetown University's recently renovated Dahlgren Chapel of the Sacred Heart. The Dahlgren Chapel emphasizes the strong bond between the Society of Jesus and the Society of the Sacred Heart. Following the liturgy, our group of Associates and sister Associates from the Eastern Region moved to the Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy Room at Georgetown University. (Mrs. Kennedy studied at Manhattanville when it was an academy.) Fittingly, our meeting focused on the celebration of Saint Philippine Duchesne. We thank Diane Roche for arranging our day at Georgetown. For March, Stone Ridge has invited our Associates group to come to the Stone Ridge Alumnae Spirituality Retreat. Throughout our meetings, we keep reflecting on how St. Madeleine Sophie has shaped our lives with love, courage and confidence. Those are the keys to our Sacred Heart spirituality as well.

UPDATE FROM ST. JOE'S REFUGEE OUTREACH COMMITTEE (ROC)

submitted by Sheila Smith

The following appeared in the bulletin on March 12, 2017, at St. Joseph's Parish in Ottawa. It concerns the arrival of the Syrian family that we have helped to sponsor:

Exciting ROC News: *Time to roll up our sleeves!* The long-awaited day is upon us! February 15, ROC was informed by Immigration Canada that one of the two Syrian refugee families we are sponsoring, the family of 5 from a refugee camp in Jordan, was travel ready. Tuesday, March 7, we got further notice that the family is arriving in Ottawa the morning of Tuesday, March 21.

Three young couples are in partnership with ROC for this sponsorship – two of these are parishioners. The family will live with one of these couples temporarily until an apartment is found. We are in the process of implementing the settlement plan: a core group has met to establish the sharing of tasks in preparation of the arrival and coordinating the-must-be-done-right-now obligations of the first few weeks, a team is apartment hunting, others are preparing a welcome basket of small basic articles necessary in establishing a household; larger items and clothes collected over the past year need to be sorted. At the same time we are learning the names of the family members. The parents are in their 30s and the children are: daughter, age 10, and two little guys, one who will be 7 in May and the other, age 5. Activities and commitments for Lent? We need look no further than warmly welcoming and befriending our new Arabic-speaking family. Thank you St. Joe's parishioners and two religious communities for your support allowing this sponsorship to reach fruition. As a parish ministry, ROC represents you all and works in your name.

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WEST REGION

SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA

by Mary McGann

Bay area response to current political trends has been extensive. St. Agnes Jesuit Church in San Francisco held an educational event for those seeking active involvement in the immigration issues. St. Agnes staff expected about fifty to attend and 350+ showed up. Attendees signed up for training in Rapid Response to immigration sweeps and for Accompaniment of those singled out for deportation.

On the University of San Francisco campus, where St. Ignatius Church is located, many students and others attended a similar presentation last week and are currently signing up for Rapid Response or Accompaniment. USF, like other West Coast universities, has many DACA students. A few RSCJ participated in the Creative Nonviolent Resistance Workshop offered by the The Jesuit School of Theology on March 12.

The Sophia House community was happy to welcome **Gail O'Donnell** for a few days before her workshop at Oakwood, and **Mary Pat White** at the time of her "Life Directions Retreat" for young women in the Berkeley area. On March 16, they will host the Berkeley Jesuit Volunteer community for dinner and conversation.

CCS REGION

CHICAGO

by Mary Bernstein and Sue Rogers

On February 19, the Kenmore 1 Community invited a wide variety of guests to a sort of protest meal. We welcomed friends, neighbors, and their friends and neighbors to a meal comprised of foods from the seven travel ban nations. As you can see from the invitation below, the intention was to celebrate the culture and the gifts of those nations and to tell anyone who would listen that we do not support President Trump's opinions about nor treatment of immigrants to our country. Some forty people attended the dinner, and they were truly a global group representing, we think, about ten different nations. It was an evening that confirmed our hope in the goodness of the world community.

At our November gathering at Techny, it was clear to the CCS Region that what we wanted most was to engage with one another in ministry and prayer. We agreed to begin to bridge the miles by using Vidyo conferencing to reflect on the Chapter Calls. We are four E-Communities; there are four Calls ...! St. Louis/St. Charles will set our sails with a reflection on "New Frontiers"; Chicago will follow on April 2 on "To create Silence"; "The South" (New Orleans, Grand Coteau and Houston) has prepared reflections on "To live more humanly"; and "Canada" (Prince George, Ontario, Detroit and Halifax) will reflect on "To act as One Body." A committee from St. Louis/St. Charles has sent out weekly reflections and – at this writing – we are looking forward to our gathering in March. The Chicago Associates and some from CCS Region at Oakwood will join in the Vidyo.

GRAND COTEAU

by Margaret Caire

On March 31, 2017, the communities in Grand Coteau will be welcoming a group associated with the Society of the Holy Child Jesus. You may remember that Cornelia Connelly was the founder of their religious order in England in 1846. If you Google her name you will find a Cornelia Connelly timeline: 1809: early beginnings in Philadelphia. 1820: Youth in Philadelphia. 1831: marriage to Pierce Connelly. 1835: Home and children in Natchez, Mississippi; Journey to Rome after being received into the Catholic Church at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans. 1838: Teaching at Grand Coteau. 1839: Connelly Family -lived in the cottage on the property near the Academy. 1844: Joined the Sacred Heart at the Trinità dei Monti under special conditions. 1846: began the Society of the Holy Child Jesus in England. 1860: founded St. Leonard's on Sea. 1879: Last Chapter. Very fascinating reading for anyone interested. An unbelievable story!

NEW ORLEANS

by Maureen Chicoine

Duchesne House welcomed Greenwich Convent of the Sacred Heart for a week before Mardi Gras. Emmanuel College from Boston arrived just after Mardi Gras. Mardi Gras was well celebrated with parade watching from the corner of Napoleon and St. Charles by various RSCJ and friends—some attired in purple, green and gold—the official colors of the season (actually two weekends of parades finishing with five full days of festivities.) The porch at Napoleon was the spot to see Iris Krewe lining up to start and the Krewe of Rex plus a truck flotilla. Of course, watching the people watching the parades was part of the fun. Sheila Parocai, sister of Maureen Chicoine, enjoyed her first New Orleans Mardi Gras as a guest at Napoleon Avenue.

EAST REGION

BOSTON

by Gail O'Donnell

Mary Pat White attended a rally followed by a City Council meeting in Newton. A unanimous decision was made to continue our Sanctuary City status regardless of withdrawal of funds that are being threatened by the Trump administration.

Nancy Kehoe was asked to be on the Advisory Board for the NCPD (National Catholic Council for Persons with Disabilities.) She also spent a week at Carrollton speaking with all the classes in the Upper School about Spirituality and Self-Care. An amazing group of young women who are signs of hope for the future.



Nance O'Neil at MIT

FAIRCHESTER AND NEW YORK

by Gwen Hoeffel

Judy Garson and Gwen Hoeffel joined the Fairchester Associates' Meeting at Bedford Community on Sunday evening, March 5. They shared some of their personal journeys as well as aspects of the Chapter Calls in their lives. Along with some Lenten preparation, it was a lively and loving gathering. Bishop Caggiano and the board of the Foundation in Education will honor Joan Magnetti for her years of commitment to Catholic education at their first annual gala at Woodway Club, May 11. The goal of the evening is to raise needed scholarship funds for all the schools in the Diocese of Bridgeport, in particular the inner city schools, as well as funds for academic programs and faculty leadership. Wickie Sheehan and six volunteers visit each week with three- and four-year olds in a program at Carver Center in Port Chester. Activities at Carver Center alternate with field trips on every other Tuesday. The volunteers include many of our alumnae, some of whom have been

with the program since it started twenty years ago.

On the evening of February 22, Judy Garson and Gwen Hoeffel went to a town hall meeting in New York hosted by the Ethical Culture Society in its large auditorium. The line stretched down one long city block, and they were lucky to get in. There were two panels, each with three speakers, representing organizations like the New York Civil Liberties Union, the Council on American-Islamic Relations, Food and Water Watch, and the Community Services Society. Each speaker gave a brief presentation and took questions in the available time. The takeaway: choose areas for personal involvement, don't be overwhelmed by all the complexities, and don't give up hope!

In a totally other world, the next night Gwen and Judy went to the Founders Celebration of The Dwelling Place, a residence for homeless women on West 40th Street. It was started by five courageous Allegany Franciscan Sisters in 1977; four of those sisters were there, along with board members and countless friends. The program was beautifully prepared, with pictures from the earliest days and short speeches that brought both tears and laughter. As we spoke with guests, we realized that some of them knew the original RSCJ community on 49th Street, Mavi Coakley and Joan Kirby in particular. The only sad note was that there are still so many homeless, both women and men, who have only the street as their home.

RSCJ International Visitors

We are so glad to welcome RSCJ international visitors and it is very important that if you know of anyone coming from another country to visit, to study, to attend events (such as the Spirituality Forum) that you let **Sheila Hammond** and **Diana Wall** know. Letters of invitation, information in case of emergency, health insurance and related financial issues need to be carefully attended to so that our visitors are without hassle coming into the country. We will give them a wonderful welcome and we want to make their journey as pleasant as possible, but we need to know about them.

Thank you.

Reminder!

Mother House Solidarity Fund

If you would like to submit a project for consideration of a grant from the Mother House Solidarity Fund, please submit your proposal no later than **Monday**, **April 17, 2017** to Lisa Terneus electronically at <u>lterneus@rscj.org</u>, or by post to 4120 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108. If you mail your proposal, please address the envelope to the Provincial Team and designate "Solidarity Fund" on the outside of the envelope. This will give the Provincial Team time to review your proposal and if approved to send to the Mother House by May 1st.

You can find the forms on the website!

Important Reminders!

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY

July 7 - 12, 2017 Embassy Suites 2 Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, Missouri

Registration Deadline is April 10, 2017

If you have not already done so, please send in your completed registration form with flight information to Lisa Terneus, lterneus@rscj.org or mail to 4120 Forest Park Ave., St. Louis, MO 63108.

Click <u>here</u> for a Registration Form.

SPIRITUALITY FORUM

July 12 - 16, 2017 Saint Louis University, Busch Student Center 20 N Grand Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63103

Registration Deadline is April 30, 2017

Information about the Spirituality Forum is posted on our website and Facebook page. Please share this information with co-workers, parishioners or anyone you think may be interested in attending. **Registration closes April 30**.

Website: <u>https://rscj.org/bicentennial2018/spirituality-forum</u> Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/events/163713167466856/</u>

Click <u>here</u> for a Registration Form.

Mail completed registration to:

Kathy McGrath 301 Decatur Street St. Charles, MO 63301

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RSCJ Birthdays March & April		
3/01 - Eleanor Fox	4/05 - Emma Fernández	
3/02 - Mary Mardel	4/05 - Mildred Peterkin	
3/03 - Joan Ewing	4/07 - Ann Jablonski	
3/05 - Patricia Desmond	4/08 - Mary Schumacher	
3/07 - Constance Dryden	4/10 - Kathleen Hughes	
3/08 - Sheila Smith	4/11 - Judith Garson	
3/09 - Joan Inglis	4/11 - Martha Roughan	
3/10 - Mildred Barbara Kearins	4/15 - Irene Rose Packer	
3/11 - Donna Dolan	4/15 - Kampame Pricillian Nyirampamira	
3/12 - Tita Lapeyre	4/15 - Kathleen Conan	
3/14 - Sally Hoban	4/16 - Madeleine Chi	
3/14 - Esther Ann Whalen	4/18 - Hildegard Heukamp	
3/20 - Janet Weber	4/19 - Mary Pat White	
3/22 - Ann Ryan	4/22 - Karen Olson	
3/22 - Pamela Hickey	4/29 - Sara Ann Rude	
3/26 - Georgeann Parizek	4/30 - Mary Loretta Busch	
3/26 - Mary Jo McFayden		
3/27 - Linda Kato		
3/28 - Juana Resto		

Please pray for...

Mary Elaine Daly Wente, mother of Anne Wente, RSCJ who died on March 10, 2017.

Katharine "Kay" Toland Quinn, mother of Barb Quinn, RSCJ who died on February 24, 2017 in Boston.

Patricia Keeley, former RSCJ who died on March 13, 2017.

THANK YOU

Thank you, my sisters, for all your notes, prayers and concern. Mary Elaine Daly Wente was celebrated beautifully on St. Patrick's Day. She is the sixth generation of her family to be buried in the Rochester Minnesota cemetery, having received all her sacraments in our parish church and celebrating a baptism of the 9th generation there. Her grace and strength are a legacy for the large family she nurtured.

Anne Wente

I would like to thank all of the sisters whose prayers, cards and notes were a great comfort for me and my family after the sudden death of my father-in-law, Conrad Terneus. That same week, my sister and I moved my mom to a memory care facility. Mom is acclimating well and we are beginning the healing process of losing Dad.

Lisa Terneus

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PROVINCIAL TEAM CALENDAR		
Meg Causey	April	
	4/6-4/9: Washington, DC, Area meeting 4/11-4/16: Grand Coteau Board Meeting; Visit with my mother 4/18-4/27: Team Meetings (California)	
Anne-Marie Conn	April	
	4/1-4/3: Montreal 4/4-4/17: Halifax 4/18-4/25: Team Meetings (California) 4/25-4/26: Network meeting (California) 4/27-4/29: AASH meeting (California) 4/30 Fly to Halifax	
Mary Finlayson	April	
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Sheila Hammond	April	
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