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All are invited to a presentation on spiritual growth in the time of COVID

As you know, we were forced to cancel our annual ACOF Convocation this summer in St. Paul. Instead, the ACOF invite you to the second in their series of virtual presentations that had been planned for the Convocation. It is open to all who affiliate with the CSJ community: sisters, ACOF, St. Joseph Workers, partners in mission and ministry, Federation members, and more.

"Take My Hand, Help Me Stand: Spiritual Growth in a Time of COVID-19"

A reflection on the strength we have "together" as members of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet community in facing the chaos of our times with hope, determination, and surrender to God's grace. Elements of this Zoom meeting will include our own unique history, inspiration from holiness through the ages, conversation, and prayer.

Spanish interpretation will be available.

Wednesday, September 23

7pm EDT / 6pm CDT / 5pm MDT / 4pm
PDT / 1pm Hawai'i

Thu, Sep 24 at 8am in Japan

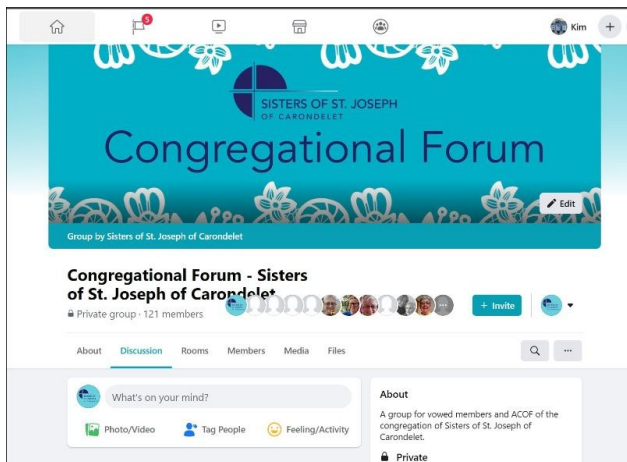
Gathering and greetings on Zoom start 30 minutes prior.

We will begin promptly at 7pm EDT.

[RSVP here](#)

The session, hosted by the Albany province, will be facilitated by Kathy Poupart, an associate of the Albany province, a graduate of LeMoyne College; the Fellowship of Emerging Leaders in Ministry through a Syracuse University/LeMoyne College Lilly Endowment collaboration; and the Syracuse Diocese Foundations of Pastoral Leadership program under the direction of Laura Bufano, CSJ. Kathy, the former Director of the Good News Foundation, is the recently appointed Parish Life Director of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish, Chadwicks, New York.

Are you on Facebook? Join the Congregational Forum



Did you know that we have a Facebook group for sisters and ACOF? It's called the Congregational Forum. Though we know it is imperfect because not everyone uses Facebook, for now, we believe this is the simplest way to have online conversations. Most of you who are active online likely have Facebook accounts already. Facebook has simple ways to organize threads of conversation, and having a group there doesn't require anyone to learn new software or remember a new login and password. An added bonus is that Facebook has automatic translation (imperfect, but still useful) so our Japanese- and Spanish-speaking members can participate as well.

What is a Facebook "group"? It is a private space where you can share posts that can only be seen by other group members. This is in contrast to your own Facebook page, where things you post could be seen by anyone who is your Facebook friend. For instance, if you wanted to share a thought you had about

governance discernment, you would want to share that with the sisters and ACOF in our Facebook group rather than with your niece and your neighbor who are your Facebook friends. Our group may have members who are not your Facebook friends, so it is also a good place to connect with people from every corner of the congregation.

How do you join? You can click here to be taken directly to the group. Or go to Facebook and type "Congregational Forum" in the search bar (note that you need to search within Facebook, not via Google or another search engine.) If you are not a group member already, you will need to click the "+ Join Group" button. If you are already a group member, you can invite others to join by clicking the "Invite" button, and then selecting sisters and ACOF who are your friends.

How do you post in the group? Simply go to the group page, and type in the box by your photo where it says "What's on your mind?" (See the photo above.)

A note: the Facebook group is an unofficial, optional channel for online conversation. If you are not in the group, you won't miss any official congregational communication.

Update on St. Mary's Village and Carondelet Place in Kansas City

The Congregation received a letter from Ascension Living, a part of Ascension Health, telling us of their decision to divest

of St. Mary's Village and Carondelet Place in Kansas City. Ascension Living indicated that using a two-year formal discernment process, they reflected on their Catholic identity, mission, vision and values, asking where and how they are called to serve while carefully stewarding the ministry entrusted to them. The changing needs of aging adults indicated to them that they needed to move to a greater focus on services that will bring Catholic health ministry into the home.

The buyer of these communities, Villa Healthcare, is a successful senior care organization that Ascension Living believes will operate the communities with integrity. Villa Healthcare will hire substantially all associates who wish to continue employment and also agrees to follow the principles of the Ethical Directives for Catholic Health Care Services.



Announcing "Theological Insights"!

One of our 2019 Chapter decisions was to "continue to provide opportunities for intra-congregational dialogue and sharing." Early this year, a group of sisters and ACOF gathered to consider ways to implement this decision. This group—Sisters Patty Chang, Anne Davis, Rosheen Glennon, Marie Joan Harris, Mary McGlone, Therese Sherlock, and Consociate Andrea Pearson Tande—offer you their first program, **Theological Insights, a six-session**

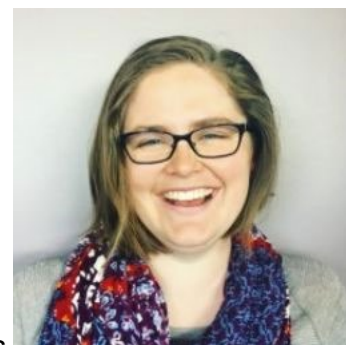
series beginning October 8. Each session will feature a young woman theologian with strong connections to us and our CSJ charism. There will be time for sharing in small groups and in a question and answer period. It is exciting to learn from young theologians where their passion for God and for social justice is leading them. We look forward to sharing this excitement with you.

The Gatherings group is also planning **an intra-congregational in-person retreat for the summer of 2021.** It will be held at the St. Paul Provincial House and feature Kathy Duffy, SSJ. More details will be coming soon. In the meantime, Zoom in to Theological Insights!

You are invited to **THEOLOGICAL INSIGHTS**

A new series from the Carondelet congregation featuring young scholars speaking on theological themes.

Join us for our first session with **Allison Connelly**, MDiv student at Union Theological Seminary in New York City, as she speaks on Disability Theology. Allison was a St. Joseph Worker and her writing is featured in the book *Dear Joan Chittister: Conversations with Women in the Church*.



Thursday, October 8

8pm EDT / 7pm CDT / 6pm MDT / 5pm
PDT / 2pm Hawai'i

Fri, Oct 9 at 9am in Japan

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- **Albany:** [Sister Joan Lescinski announces retirement as head of St. Ambrose](#)
- **Albany:** [Letter: All lives will matter once Black lives matter](#)
- **Los Angeles:** [Movement Break video series](#) (password: Movement)
- **St. Paul:** [CSJs Express Concern Over Decision to Award A.G. Barr](#)
- **St. Louis:** [Mandala for discernment](#)

Recent Publications:

- [Noticiero, Agosto 2020](#) (Peru)
- [September e-designs](#) (Los Angeles)
- [Carondelet East, September 2020](#) (Albany)
- [CSJ St. Paul September News](#) (St. Paul)
- See all recent newsletters on the [Publications page](#) in the Members Only Section of the congregational website.



Rest in Peace

[Associate Mary Patricia "Pat" Peaper](#)
August 31, 1936 - August 26, 2020

[Catherine McNamee, CSJ](#)
August 30, 2020

[Catherine Marie Kreta, CSJ](#)
March 22, 1933 - September 8, 2020

[Mary Ellen Jones, CSJ](#)
May 12, 1928 - September 9, 2020

Happy Birthday!

September 8

Sister Jeanne Marie Gocha
Sister Francis Rita Voivedich

September 9

Sister Renee Adamany
Associate Janet Derby
Associate Maria Fanara
Associate Ileana Franco
Sister Veronica Jones
Hermana Rosa Orellana
Sister Mary Anne Rodgers

September 10

Sister Marjorie Quin

September 11

Sister Mary Madonna Ashton
Sister Anne Lorraine Mahlmeister
Sister Rita Shawn McClaskey
Consociate Roseanne Akinya Ochien'g

September 12

Associate Sheila Driscoll
Consociate Kama Insley
Consociate Mary Treacy O'Keefe
Associate Ruth Sanborn
Sister Ruth Stuckel

September 13

Sister Rosario Bobadilla
Hermana Mauricia Carcasi
Sister Patricia Foster
Sister Kathleen Marie O'Shea
Associate Amelia Panes
Associate Margaret Piacentino
Associate Mia Rosinski
Associate Megan Schaefer
Sister Mary Ellen Shirtz
Sister Claire Weber

September 14

Sister Mary Louise Basler
Associate Geri Binggeli
Sister Monica Agnes Nortz
Associate Margaret Piacentino
Sister Betty Wurm

September 15

Sister Dolores Anchondo
Sister Nancy Davis
Sister Pat Dunphy
Sister Kathleen Heffron
Associate Carolyn Henry
Associate Lena Lopez
Associate Loretta Ortega
Associate Mary Clare Walker

September 16

Associate Susan Fahey
Sister Kathleen Karbowski
Associate Benjamin Meade
Sister Barbara Mary Sefcik

September 17

Sister Sara Ann Cannon
Sister Linda Markway
Associate Karen Monroe
Sister Agnes Leo Winkle

September 18

Sister Kate Arseneau
Sister Maria Bouleris
Sister Martha Mary McCaffrey
Sister Carol Louise Smith
Associate Jeanette Tellez-Hopkins

September 19

Associate Virginia Brown
Associate Josefina Castellanos
Sister Patricia Murphy
Sister Roseanne Siebert

September 20

Sister Marilyn Jones
Sister Helen Louise Lacey
Sister Jill Napier

September 22

Sister Marion Honors
Sister Maureen Lyons
Sister Mary Sevilla
Associate Patricia Tessler

September 23

Sister Rita Jean DuBrey
Sister Laurie Kelly
Sister Anne Eugene Metcalf
Associate Patricia A. Muselbeck

Associate Jim Oleskevich
Sister Anne Stephen Wysocki

September 24

Sister Patricia Haire
Associate Kathleen Harrington
Associate Ruth Huesgen
Associate Dorothy Self

September 25

Associate Regina Cassetta
Sister Roselani Enomoto
Associate Shirley McCray
Associate Debbie Skyles
Consociate Margaret Wanda

September 26

Sister Rosemary Casaleno
Associate Marilyn Koncen
Familia Carolina Rodriguez

September 27

Sister Marie Damien Adams
Associate Patricia P. Covey
Associate Santa M. Cuddihee
Sister Charlene Del Bianco
Sister Peggy Dwyer
Sister Frances Marie Hansen
Consociate Leah Maurene Lieta
Associate Marie Monaco

September 28

Sister Carol Brouillette
Sister Pat Donnelly
'Ohana Pua Okamura

September 29

Sister Patricia Kelly
Sister Ann Landers
Sister Brigid McDonald
Sister Martha Merriman
Sister Marie Juliette Nguyen
Associate Gloria J. Novobilski
Associate Alison Roberts

Download the full necrology and birthday lists on the Celebrations page of the congregational website. Please report any mistakes to

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