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## Los Angeles sisters in skilled nursing move to St. John of God Care Center

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In October 2019, the Getty Fire devastated the area around Carondelet Center in Los Angeles, underscoring the difficulties involved

with the emergency evacuation of sisters who reside there and receive the highest levels of skilled nursing care. The province started planning to move our skilled nursing site to a safer location. On July 15, that plan became reality as the first sisters moved from Carondelet Center to their new home at St. John of God Care Center, a licensed facility in downtown Los Angeles. The move is expected to be completed by the first week of August

St. John of God is near many of our sisters and associates, who will be able to visit and support the sisters who now reside there. Our sisters will occupy the entire 25-bed east wing of the third floor of their skilled care building. They can enjoy the well-kept grounds and the large chapel on the first floor where Mass is celebrated daily. The facility has a chaplain and pastoral care services, a large activities staff and many other on-site

supportive services. Many sisters have been helping pack belongings and giving the new space some home-like CSJ touches.

To support the new community forming at St. John of God, Sister Sharon Margaret Ninteman has been appointed as a full-time on-site CSJ community coordinator. We express profound gratitude to Sharon, and send her forward with blessings and thanks for her “yes” in assuming this new role.

On July 12, a simple prayer was held at Carondelet Center and live-streamed for the sisters of the province to join in blessing and sending the sisters to their new home. During this prayer, the Province Leadership Team missioned the 24 sisters to St. John of God Care Center, and encouraged them to “share our charism by prayer and pastoral presence to our dear neighbors at St. John of God.”

Even when it is clear that changes such as this move must be made, pain still follows with the letting go that accompanies them. But there will also be a joyful new beginning to be celebrated, as our present-day pioneers make the “Trek” to St. John of God.

## Calls for Justice

The CLT signed on to a letter organized by Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns that calls on President Biden to take further action to ensure everyone has equitable access to COVID vaccines and other tools necessary to contain the pandemic. [read the letter](#)



**THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**  
**EL AÑO DE SAN JOSÉ**  
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**A QUOTE:** The evil one makes us see and condemn our frailty, whereas the Spirit brings it to light with tender love. Tenderness is the best way to touch the frailty within us. Pointing fingers and judging others are frequently signs off an inability to accept our own weaknesses, our own frailty. Only tender love will save

us...([Patris Corde](#))

**A QUESTION:** Am I capable of looking at my weaknesses with tenderness? Can I do the same with others' weaknesses?

**A BLESSING:** St. Joseph, we ask your blessing of tenderness as we contemplate our own weaknesses and those of others so that we refrain from judging ourselves and others with an unrealistic measuring rod.



## Nearing the end of Plastic Free July

by *Patty Johnson, CSJ*

What can we do to stop plastic pollution, especially single-use plastic pollution? We've joined the Plastic Free July movement, and every day this month we have had a social media posts and quick daily actions. [You can find the full calendar of actions on our website.](#) Using hashtags, we spread the word and it has worked to invite others to join with us. If you have missed some of our posts, look for them on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#). Your likes, comments, shares and

retweets make a big difference in helping our posts reach more people!

We have two big letter-writing campaigns going to let the U.S.



Congress know where we stand on two bills. If you haven't already, please take a moment to send a letter using the quick tools on our website:

- [Break Free from Plastics Act of 2021](#)
- [CLEAN Future Act](#)

Many thanks to our sisters who provided fun videos for our social media campaign: Kate Arseneau, Ida Berresheim, Kathy Crowley, Sally Harper, Jeanne Janssen, Liz Kerwin, Janet Kuciejczyk, Toni Nash, Linda Neil and Sean Peters!





- **Albany:** [Meet our newest associate: Katie Guevara](#)
- **Los Angeles:** [Sister Sara Kane shares a grounding prayer](#)
- **St. Louis:** [Snow cones at the motherhouse](#)
- **St. Paul:** [Duty drove jubilarian \[Carolyn Puccio\] to convent at age 17, but vocation led to a variety of loved roles](#)
- **St. Paul:** [Sister act: As historical nun, actor shares stories of St. Paul's saints and sinners](#)
- **U.S. Federation:** [Federation welcomes new JPIC Coordinator](#)

### Recent Publications

- See all recent newsletters on the [Publications page](#) in the Members Only Section of the congregational website.



### Rest in Peace

Giovanna Marie Marcoccia, CSJ  
July 13, 2021

### [Associate Suzanne Warner](#)

July 18, 2021

Lillian Waldera, CSJ

July 19, 2021

### [Associate Rose Marie O'Grady Kotansky](#)

July 20, 2021

Patricia Woolheater, CSJ

July 23, 2021

### Happy Birthday!

#### July 27

Associate Deana Angotti  
Sister Rosanne Fox  
Associate Debbie Gartner  
Sister Anne Horrigan  
Consociate Hannah Pierson  
Consociate Karleen Reller  
Sister Mary Clare Spaeth

#### July 28

'Ohana Vickie Bunye  
Associate Lauren Highfill  
Sister Mary Paul Morimoto  
Sister Judith Ann Schulte

#### July 29

Associate Corliss Cox  
Consociate Lisa Gidlow Moriarty  
Sister Jean Junak  
Associate Lelia Mary Kennedy  
Associate Marge Mattice  
Familia Mercedes Rojas  
Sister Inés Telles

**July 30**

Sister Rosaire Anne De Mare  
Associate Marie Evans  
Sister Meg Gillespie  
Consociate Samuel Okuta Lieta

**July 31**

Hermana María Elena Cáceres  
Associate Antoinette Chartier  
Sister Marianne Kennah  
Sister Joan Lacey  
Sister Doris Villeneuve

**August 1**

Sister Margaret Guzzardo  
Sister Jeanne Stodola

**August 2**

Consociate Sandy Burton  
Associate Bob Dupnik  
Sister Jan Husung  
Associate Sue M. Powers

**August 3**

Sister Camille Collini  
Sister Mary Charity Dalton  
Sister Corita Eisenbeiss

**August 4**

Associate Becky Flores  
Sister Karen Kennelly  
Sister Jean Vianney Mindak  
Sister Maureen Murphy

**August 5**

Sister Mary Dominic Chacon  
Associate Kathleen Fisher

Sister Susan Jasko  
Sister Sara Kane  
Consociate Renee Sonka

**August 6**

Associate Patricia A. John  
Sister Elizabeth Anne Malone  
Sister Rose Adrian Peukert  
Consociate Ann Shields

**August 7**

Sister Helen Alder  
Sister Celia DuRea  
Sister Virginia Anne Fannin  
Sister Joan Marie Hagen  
Associate Barbara Lacher  
Sister Maureen Langton  
Sister Mary Johanna Logan  
Associate Elizabeth Norton  
Associate Clara Uhlrich

**August 8**

Sister Mary Patricia Rosholt  
Sister Judith Marie Vaughan

**August 9**

Associate Carol Hagan  
Associate Susan Novak  
Sister Marie Rene Pretti  
Associate Mardee Schaefer  
Consociate Betty Schindler

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