



FRIDAY, SDAY, APRIL 24, 2020
SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS
SACRED HEART PROVINCE
NEWS BRIEF

EARTH DAY 2020

FROM SR. VERA LUCIA LONZEN, GENERAL COUNCILOR, ROME

(We apologize for the late announcement of this greeting – we had technical difficulty with sending this earlier in the week.)

Dear Sisters!!

Pace e Bene. Many greetings from our community ...

This week God calls us to look with affection and care at the earth and through the intercession of Francis, Clare and Mother Magdalene to live our ecological conversion and to pray for the earth, our mother. As Church I invite you to listen to the Pope with his wise words:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en.html>

Recalling our Chapter Declaration and Recommendation, we unite worldwide in prayer and in actions in the care of Mother Earth. In the Franciscan spirit we celebrate this day thanking the Good God for his immense love and we commit ourselves to the care of LIFE. Attached is an Earth Day Prayer proposed by UISG and Earth Day News, and below are some links and certainly each one of you has many sources.

- <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2020/>
- International Mother Earth Day <https://www.un.org/es/observances/earth-day>



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PACE E BENE!



PROVINCIAL CHAPTER

PROVINCIAL CHAPTER has been set for **Sunday, September 27, 2020 – Sunday, October 4, 2020** at the DoubleTree, Westminster, CO.

The Spring Sacred Conversations packets are in the mail for the sisters to meet in their small groups. (You should all receive them by early next week.) There is a lot of important material in this packet, along with a guide for this process. Please read the materials before you meet. Return the requested documents to Donna Kroll by May 22, 2020.

NEWS FROM SR. DEBORAH LOCKWOOD:



Some of you have asked how I am doing with my broken arm healing. (pictures can say it all)

I fell December 22, 2019 – 4 months ago. When I arrived in California, I got the “cast” off on February 25th. I have had 4 PT sessions and then corona kept us at home, except for walks in the neighborhood. So, I have been doing PT at home for five weeks and walking 5 miles every day, or trying to ... and, now I can wave to you pretty well!



Thanks for your prayers and support during this time. **Sr. Deborah**

FRANCISCAN FEDERATION CONFERENCE:

The Franciscan Federation “Invitational” Conference is Postponed Until 2021! Please view the attached announcement from the Franciscan Federation Board. Stay tuned as they adapt plans.

Peace and all good!

Sr. Carol SFMA and Sr. Lilia LSOSF

FIVE-WISHES:

Sisters, please **RETURN** your **UPDATED Five Wishes** form to Sr. Sarah Manchester, **ASAP**. Please US-mail them to the office since we are on a limited in-office schedule. *(Thank you to those who already returned them.)*

2019 COMMUNITY REPORTING:

It’s that time of year ... to update our records and reflect on the 2019 year’s activities! Please email your community reports and chronicles to Donna Kroll at DonnaK@Franciscanway.org as soon as possible. If you need a date extension or have questions, please contact Donna. As always, your assistance and support are greatly appreciated!



NEWSLETTERS:

- SFP-Marian Convent, April 2020
- HNP-All Around the Province, October 2019

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE;

Apr 29 @ 9-11	Zoom: Spring Conversations w Facilitators
May 6-7	Council Meeting
May 12 @ 9-11	Zoom: Spring & Summer Conversations w Facilitators
May 28-29	Council Meeting
June 22-23	Council Meeting
July 28-29	Council Meeting
July 6-7	Personal
July ???	Zoom: Summer Conversations w Facilitators
August 8 ?	Jubilee Celebration, Alliance, NE (Leandra & Alicia)
August 11-14	LCWR in Dallas, TX
August 24-25	Council Meetings
September ?	Zoom w Facilitators
September 14-15	Council Meeting
September 25-26	Pre-chapter Meetings, Westminster, CO
September 27-October 4	Provincial Chapter 2020 Meetings, Westminster, CO

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OFFICE IS TEMPORARIALY CLOSED

However, the staff will continue to serve you via their home space.
You may contact them directly via email or their cell phones.

If you need any additional information, please contact Donna Kroll
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