



FRIDAY, AUGUST 21, 2020

**SHP-SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS
NEWS BRIEF**

**EQUALLY SHARED PRIORITIES
FOR VOTERS IN THE 2020 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION**

Attached are three articles from NETWORK Advocates for Catholic Social Justice as Pope Francis makes it clear: **abortion is not the only issue that matters.** (Feel free to share these articles with other voters, too.)

**THIRD TIMES THE CHARM –
SHP’S PROVINCIAL CHAPTER – RESCHEDULED**

Looking toward chapter, new hot spots and places of reduced occurrence of COVID change on a daily basis. Travel continues to be limited and limiting. The prospect of wearing masks and shields all day (the medical recommendation for our group) except during meals, seems overwhelming for many. Needing to remain in the hotel environment is very concerning for some.

Our **first priority** for SHP’s Provincial Chapter Meetings is the safety and health of our sisters and other crucial attendees. After looking at the ongoing uncertainty with the COVID conditions, we pray for a vaccine. Considering weather in the next months, a date beyond these was sought. We are now asking the General Council and CICALSAL for permission to hold **SHP’S Provincial Chapter from Sunday, May 30 through Sunday, June 6, 2021.** *(More details coming.)*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE SOUL OF:

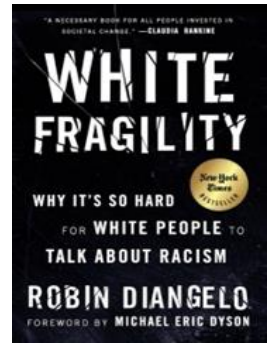
Juanita Flores-Mendoza, who died on April 5, 2020. She was born on July 28, 1938. Juanita became a SHP Novitiate on April 15, 1960, and received the name Sister Daniel. She went to Mexico to aid in the founding of missionary work in Mesquital at Orizaketa. She was dispensed from simple perpetual vows on May 22, 1967. She returned to Alliance. Juanita married Adolpho Mendoza and was blessed with four children, twelve grandchildren, and one grandchild. Her Christian Burial was April 7, 2020, in Alliance, NE.

WHITE FRAGILITY – CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RACISM:

Our friends and facilitators, Melissa Bailey Kirk and Robin Caruthers will be having three Zoom sessions (90 minutes each) for Sisters and Associates to have conversations around the concepts and information in the book, *White Fragility*, by Robin DiAngelo.

- ~~✓ Saturday, August 15, 2020~~
- **Saturday, August 22, 2020**
 - **Saturday, August 29, 2020**

All sessions at 7:00-8:30 pm, EST, 5:00-6:30 pm MST, 4:00-5:30 pm PST



The recent deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and Ahmaud Arbery have once again turned our eyes to the insidious and persistent problem of racism in America. This book seeks to help white people understand how we keep having these moments in our society, even with the progress that has been made. We still have a way to go. The attached invitation gives a brief description of the conversations. Participants of color are welcome, although this is mostly white people's work to uncover deeply socialized behaviors. People of color who choose to attend will have different goals, as described.

Those who respond to Robin, via email at rmcaruthers@sbcglobal.net, will be sent the Zoom link. Hopefully, all those who sign up will be able to attend all three sessions, but if not, they are welcome to attend any of the sessions they can.

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE:

August 19	Zoom: Chapter Prep w Facilitators
August 24-25	Council Meetings
September 10	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