



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2020

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

**CELEBRATING:
THANKSGIVING, NOVEMBER 26TH**
(see attached greeting)

SISTERS' CHAT - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2020 @ 6:00 PM:

SHP'S MISSION STATEMENT

*Awake to the transforming Love of God throughout creation,
we compassionately serve all as sister and brother by our
contemplation, presence, forgiveness, hope and joy.*

There will be a series of Sister Chats, via ZOOM, once a month from November – March, approximately 1.5 hours. These 'chats' are designed to move forward and continue preparation for Provincial Chapter, May 30-June 6, 2021. These meetings are required for delegates; however, all sisters will be invited. Sisters, you will be receiving more information prior to each meeting. SHP looks forward to gathering with you on **Monday, November 23rd starting at 6:00 pm.** *(The ZOOM invitation with the meeting access link and/or codes was emailed earlier this week. If you did not get it, contact Donna.)*

FALL 2020 SACRED CONVERSATIONS:

Sisters, you were mailed the next series of Sacred Conversations to continue our prep toward Chapter in May 2021. Please return your response to Donna Kroll by December 1, 2020.

EARTHCARE: SISTER WATER IS LIFE

Nestle has siphoned water from the Rocky Mountains and other US sites and promoted small water bottle sales that contaminates the environment. Now Nestles want to bailout and sale this practice to other organizations. We want Nestle to give the water rights back to the public. Your prayers and awareness are needed.



THANKSGIVING PRAYER – COVID

O God,
We gather together separated by life-saving distancing,
 but united more than ever in spirit;
We know we are in a war against COVID-19 together,
 and the more together we are, the better and stronger we will emerge:
We know the challenges are enormous, yet so are the opportunities;
That whether we are in isolation with loved ones,
 or alone, we will have abundance of time;
We commit to using that time to the max,
 to help those in greater need in whatever way we can;
We know we all have the opportunity, and time,
 to be life savers and life enhancers;
We give thanks for those who are on the frontline
 taking care of those who are not well;
We give thanks for the researchers who are working at breakneck speed
 to find cure and vaccine;
We give thanks for our leaders, federal, provincial and local,
 for their dedication to all of us;
We give thanks for the providers of our daily needs
 who go to work in spite of the risk;
We give thanks for those who have ramped up their ability
 to produce life-saving supplies.
We pray for the well-being of all our life savers;
For those who are not well, that they recover fully;
For those enduring difficulty, that they may overcome their challenges.
We pray that a cure and vaccine will soon be available,
And that we all – family, friends, and the entire world
 may be healed in body and spirit.
We ask you, O God, to bless our leaders, our frontline caregivers,
 our life savers and life enhancers.
We ask you, O God, to bless the US, to bless the world, to bless everyone.
Amen.

Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
<https://www.dpcdsb.org/news/news-archives/prayer-of-thanksgiving-and-strength-during-the-covid19-crisis>



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE SOUL OF:

Sister M. Barbara Johanna Grüning, of the Province of Lüdinghausen, Germany, died on November 17, 2020. She was born on January 29, 1935 and professed on February 11, 1959.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING REQUEST:

Morgan Kroll (Donna's daughter), who has tested positive for COVID. Morgan works on the frontline in two hospitals' ER, as a scribe. Please pray for mild symptoms for her and for other family members and friends.

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE:

- November 23-24 Council Meetings
- November 23 @ 6pm Sisters' Chat
- December 16-17 Council Meetings
- December 17 Council Christmas Party
- December 28 @ 6pm Sisters' Chat
- January 6-7 Council Meetings
- January 25 @ 6pm Sisters' Chat
- February 8-9 Council Meetings
- February 22 Sisters' Chat
- March 8-9 Council Meetings
- March 22 @ 6pm Sisters' Chat
- April 12-13 Council Meetings
- April 15-17 or 19-21 LCWR hosting
- May 1 Jubilee-Alliance
- May 10-11 Council Meetings
- May 28-May 30 Pre-Chapter Planning
- May 30-June 6 XVIII Provincial Chapter
- June 6 @ pm New Council-Meeting
- June 14-15 Transition Council Meeting