



August 2020

Dear Sisters and Associates of
St. Francis, Sacred Heart, and Holy Name Province,

Greetings from the Interprovincial Chapter of Mats Planning Committee! We are in the process of planning our **sisters' and associates' Chapter of Mats meeting** that is now less than a year away. The gathering will be held at **Stella Niagara, New York, from August 27 - 29, 2021**. We are also planning on reserving rooms for a few days before and a few days after to enable those who wish to do a little sight-seeing or visiting.

The plan for these days is in process and you will be hearing from us again as soon as we finalize the event. We know that these are challenging times and that lots of things can change in a year, however, if we need to book rooms at a nearby hotel, we would like to do it soon. Stella Niagara campus can accommodate many guests, but we need to have an idea of numbers. This number would only include sisters and associates. If family members wish to come, their reservations would be their personal responsibility and information can be provided later.

The form that is included can be returned by email or snail mail, but we ask that you return it to Donna Kroll by September 30, 2020. The return information is listed on the form.

***Rooted in the Gospel, we live as heralds of peace and hope.
We reverence and care for Mother Earth,
our common home,
and help to serve the needy of our time.***

The statement above is from our 32nd General Chapter, October 2019. It is so very meaningful in our lives today and we want to use it as the foundation for our gathering.

We are looking forward to gathering as Francis, Clare, and Magdalen have done before us to move into the future with hope. God will provide!

Sincerely,

The Interprovincial Chapter of Mats Committee

St. Francis Province: Sisters KathyAnn Lehman, Norberta Villasenor

Sacred Heart Province: Sister Sen Nguyen, Donna Kroll (Associate)

Holy Name Province: Sisters Christella Ritchey, Mara Walton, Diana Trusello (Associate)