



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021
SHP-SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS
NEWS BRIEF

LENT THRU SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD
EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH

WEEKLY LENTEN REFLECTION:

Attached is the first of a series of brief reflections that the General Council would like to share with the Congregation during this season of Lent. May all of you be blessed as you walk this road in HOPE!



We wish to **CONGRATULATE**, associate Germaine Little Bear, in her new position as Diocesan Director of Native American Ministry in Rapid City, SD. Germaine brings enthusiasm and a prayerful discernment to her new position. She is becoming acquainted with the priests and their parishes. She wishes to share the awareness that we are all God's people and the meaning of the Lakota way.

Associate Veronica Valandra who held the position for 10 years was instrumental in encouraging the continuance of the position shares from her experience: I feel this position is important because the Director represents the Lakota Catholics in the diocese. This position assures that the Lakota people are represented in special masses and workshops and diocesan gatherings. Director is also responsible for organizing 2 Canku Wakan (Holy Road) retreats each year. This retreat is similar to the Cursillo but all Spanish words were changed to Lakota words, plus incorporating some Lakota ceremonies into retreat. Lakota people are taught they can still practice their cultural ways as well as still be Catholic. You learn the benefits of the 2 spiritual ways of worship and is a good way of evangelizing Lakota Catholics."

Other associates have held this position in the past. Germaine spoke of the importance of Sisters Genevieve Cuny's and Geraldine Clifford's work with the associates in SD.

ANNUNCIATION HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Dear Friends,

Annunciation House in El Paso is seeking a limited number of short-term volunteers (2 weeks to several months) to help provide hospitality to refugees who have been enrolled in the "Migrant Protection Protocols," and will soon be admitted to the US.

Please visit the Annunciation House website for additional info and to learn about their COVID protocols

<https://annunciationhouse.org/shorttermvolunteering/>.

Blessings,

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE SOUL(S):

Sr. M. Agnetine Ni Ketut Astiti, OSF, who died on February 23, 2021. She was born on September 22, 1956 and professed on December 18, 1982. Sr. Agnetine was a member of Most Holy Trinity Province, Indonesia.

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE:

- March 1 & 8 8:30 am-12:30 pm, Investors Meetings on Zoom
- March 8 9:00 am Council meetings
- March 22 Sisters Zoom Chat
- April 12-13 Council Meetings
- April 15-17 (or 19-21) LCWR Region XIII
- May 1 Jubilee in Alliance
- May 10-11 Council Meetings
- May 28- June 6 Provincial Chapter 2021
- June 14 Transition Council Meeting