

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2021 SHP-SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

NEWS BRIEF

Lent thru Wednesday, March 31^{st} Triduum-Thursday, April 1- Saturday, April 3^{rd} Easter Sunday, April 4^{th}

CATHOLIC SISTERS WEEK shines a light on the spirituality, mission, and community building of women religious.

Fifty-two weeks a year, women religious stand with the poor and immigrants, teach children, fight injustice, heal the sick, share spirituality, empower women, defend the planet, promote peace, create community, offer hope ...



But for one week, March 8-14, we shine the spotlight on women religious and encourage a wide range of campaigns and events that invite all who follow Jesus to

- Expand And Support Their Gospel Witness
- Grow The Service Networks They Have Seeded
- Share Their Spirituality, Charisms, And Community
- Encourage Young Women To Consider A Vocation To Religious Life
- Support Their Pastoral, Teaching And Prophetic Works
- And Focus On The New World They Call Into Being.

For more information, go to https://catholicsistersweek.org/

Thank You and God Bless to all our Sisters of St. Francis throughout the world.



Please join the next Witness & Grace Conversation:

How Catholic Sisters are Helping to Save the Earth - and You Can Too Presented by Sr. Sheila Kinsey and Sr. Melinda Roper Tuesday, April 13, 2021 3 p.m. Eastern | 2 p.m. Central | 1 p.m. Mountain | 12 p.m. Pacific

Catholic sisters have long been involved in efforts to protect the environment, address climate change and care for creation. Join Sr. Sheila Kinsey from Rome and Sr. Melinda Roper from Darien, Panama, with Gail DeGeorge (Editor, GSR) and Barbara Fraser (Editor, EarthBeat) for an inspirational and insightful conversation about the pressing needs of our planet, how sisters are making a difference – and you can too. https://www.globalsistersreport.org/

WEEKLY LENTEN REFLECTION:

Attached is the <u>third</u> 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!

TAKE ACTION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Protect Our Communities from Suncor Pollution.

Suncor, a tar sands refinery in Commerce City with a long history of extremely poor environment practices, is facing a renewal permit. The interdenominational Together Colorado Climate Justice Committee attended by Sr, Liz Fuhr from Earthcare of the Sisters of St. Francis is asking Colorado residents to sign our petition to close the Suncor Refiner. For more information and to sign, go to https://secure.everyaction.com/GNGNrr1 jUK1quK807ufJQ2

2020-2021 JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS-POSTPONED:

For the safety of our sisters and their family and friends, THIS YEAR we will POSTPONE the Sisters' Jubilee in Alliance, NE, which is normally the first Saturday in May.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RESPOSE SOUL(S):



Sr. Regina Boyle, who died on November 6, 2020. Her Mass of Resurrection was held in November 2020, at Marian Residence, Alliance, NE. Due to COVID, her family will have a Rosary on May 14th, 6:00 pm and a Celebration of Life Mass on May 15th, 10:30 am at St. Patrick's in O'Neill, Nebraska, followed by a luncheon in the parish hall. Sr. Regina's ashes will be buried at Calvary Cemetery in O'Neill, NE.

ANNUNCIATION HOUSE IN EL PASO:

The Annunciation House in El Paso is seeking a limited number of short-term volunteers (2 weeks to several months) to help provide hospitality to refuges who have been enrolled in the "Migrant Protection Protocols," and will soon be admitted to the US. Anyone interested can contact Ann Scholz, LCWR Associate Director for Social Mission at 443-570-2606, <u>ascholz@lcwr.org</u>.

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE:

March 22 Sisters Zoom ChatApril 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

March 17, 2021 Feast of St. Patrick

And until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

An Irish Blessing

March 19, 2021 Feast of St. Joseph

Let us make St. Joseph our Lenten Saint on the way to Easter. May we have a semblance of his humility, great faith, and trust in God.

St. Joseph Prayer for Us!

https://www.babestanmagkalas.com/st-josephs-feast-day/