

SACRED HEART PROVINCE
SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

NEWS BRIEF

March 4, 2022



CATHOLIC SISTERS WEEK – MARCH 8-14



*God Bless our Sisters of Sacred Heart Province
(and all of our sister communities)*

Artwork by Sr. Sen Nguyen

- March 8: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we gratefully lift up the women religious throughout the years who have brought the Lord's *light* into our broken world. Their work, done as the hands and feet of Christ, is a reflection of Christ's grace and mercy, thus we pray...
- March 9: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we thank our Lord and Savior for the gift of the *sky*, giving us promise for humanity's future. Such hope is manifested through the work of women religious who have continually reached out to the lost, the overlooked and the needy, sharing their faith and confidence in the Lord's peace and purpose, thus we pray...
- March 10: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we show appreciation for the associates and oblates who are as the *earth, seas, plants and trees*, fulfilling and enriching our world. The diversity and compassion they bring to their work enhances life throughout the globe, helping all of creation to better abide with our Lord, thus we pray...
- March 11: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we acknowledge those who are discerning, as they allow themselves growth through the process. Just as the *sun, moon and stars*, there is a cycle to the progression, one that embraces introspection and wisdom, service and enrichment, thus we pray...
- March 12: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we reflect on the variety that God brought forth in the *creatures in the sea and creatures that fly*. Similar to this diversity is that of the donors and benefactors of women religious, those who have

such different reasons for their generous giving yet feel called to support and encourage, thus we pray...

- March 13: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we recognize *the people of the earth*, especially those who are served by women religious. Throughout the globe, the needs are many, so the service and compassion of women religious must be ongoing, freshened by God's love flowing through and into those in need. May our Lord reach the hearts of those who are serving and being served, thus we pray...
- March 14: During this Catholic Sisters Week, we acknowledge that, on the seventh day, God rested. Thus, we realize what is needed is a day for celebration, *a Sabbath time* for rejoicing in all that has been done and time for refilling our souls, bodies and minds for the work yet to come. We thank our God for the blessing of service done and ask for guidance on service to come, as women religious continue to devote themselves to Christ's work on our earth, thus we pray...



PRAYER REQUEST:

- For continued recovery of our sisters: Sr. Bernadette Clifford and Sr. Alicia Cuaron.
- For the end of the attack on Ukraine.

Praying for Peace: Almighty God we pray for the situation on the border of Ukraine. We pray for those who live in fear, that you may grant them peace. We pray that the voices for discernment and peaceful solutions may prosper. Lord, we ask that you raise up peacemakers on all sides, that war and violence might be averted. Give diplomats wisdom, understanding and build trust. We ask for the church in the nations involved, may they be salt and light in a dark situation. Lord we lift this dangerous situation to you. May your kingdom come, Amen.

Prayer by Fred Drummond, Evangelical Alliance Scotland and prayer director

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE FOLLOWING SOUL:

- Sister Miriam (Lucille Provo), who died on March 1, 2022. She was born on January 12, 1923 and professed on August 26, 1943. Sr. Miriam was a member of St. Francis Province in Redwood City, CA.

FRANCISCAN SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY ...

... presented St. Francis' Song of Brotherhood and Sisterhood: Contemplation, Identity, and Advocacy, by Sister Elizabeth Fuhr, OSF. This is now available on YouTube at [Franciscan School of Theology - YouTube](#).



SHP SISTERS' MARCH BIRTHDAYS:

- Sr. Alicia Cuaron, March 1st
- Sr. Jeannine Hershiser, March 16th

SR. SARAH MANCHESTER'S SCHEDULE:

- March 12 ZOOM Associates & Provincials Report
- March 15-16 Council Meetings
- March 22-23 / 29-30 LCWR Region XIII Spring Meeting
or April 19-20 / 26-27
- April 7-8 Council Meetings
- April 22-23 (29-30) Pre-Chapter Gathering #4
- May 7 Jubilees @ MR, Recommissioning & Prayer Partners
- May 14 ZOOM Finance & Archives Report
- May 19-20 Council Meetings
- June 7-8 Council Meetings
- June 10-11 Tentative_ZOOM Pre-Chapter Gathering #5
- June 28-29 Council Meetings
- July 8-9 Pre-Chapter Planning Meeting
- July 10-16 XIII Chapter
- July 16 New/Old Council Meeting