



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS  
**SACRED HEART COMMUNITY (SHC)**  
**NEWS BRIEF – MAY 17, 2024**

PENTECOST SUNDAY – JUNE 19, 2024

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**MEMORIAL DAY PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP IN DENVER:**



Associates and sisters, we invite you to Mount Olivet Cemetery on **Monday, Memorial Day, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm**, to honor those who have passed into eternal life with God. If the time that day looks to be rainy, we will gather at Marycrest/Casa Chiara for prayer. In any case, after prayer we will share fellowship over a meal out somewhere. No need to RSVP, just come if you can. Blessings, Contact Sr. Sue Artone-Fricke, [Sue@DenverOSF.org](mailto:Sue@DenverOSF.org) for questions.

**PICNIC:**

Sisters, Associates, Families ... all are welcome to attend the Franciscan Contemplative Prayer Annual Picnic at the Sisters of St. Francis Office, 5314 Columbine Road, Denver, CO 80221 on **Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:00-8:00 pm**. The main course will be provided, and we ask guests to bring a side dish to share. Also, you will be able to enjoy the new Little Portion - Healing Circle for Spiritual Ecology space next to the office. (See info regarding the Grand Opening below.) Please RSVP to Sister Liz Fuhr, [mefuhr@franciscanway.org](mailto:mefuhr@franciscanway.org), 720-448-4818.

**LITTLE PORTION GRAND OPENING:**

Everyone is invited to join the Sisters of St. Francis for a grand opening of 'Little Portion' (flyer attached), a one-acre permaculture garden adjacent to the south of Casa Chiara at 5314 Columbine Rd., Denver, CO. The event is on **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 – 8:00 pm**. Drop by during that time if you can. Email Sr. Patty Podhaisky, [Patty@FranciscanWay.org](mailto:Patty@FranciscanWay.org), if you have questions or need more information.

## **FRANCISCAN MOUNTAIN RETREATS 2024**

Join Sr. Liz Fuhr for one of her retreats titled: Be a "Beaver" and Put Carbon Back in the Soil!



One Day Retreats-Coal Creek Canyon, Golden, CO:  
(select one)

- Tuesday, June 18
- Monday, July 22
- Saturday, July 27

Backpacking Retreat - Indian Peak Wilderness

- Monday-Friday, July 29-August 2

Weekend Retreat-Coal Creek Canyon, Golden, CO:

- Friday-Sunday, August 16-18

More information contact Sr. Liz Fuhr at 303-720-448-4818,

[mefuhr@franciscanway.org](mailto:mefuhr@franciscanway.org) or

[www.sacredheartprovincre.franciscanway.org/spirituality/retreats/](http://www.sacredheartprovincre.franciscanway.org/spirituality/retreats/)

## **SHC 2024 JUBILARIANS:**

Attached are the jubilee reflections for our 2024 sisters who celebrated their 'yes' on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at Holy Rosary Church in Alliance, NE. "It was a wonderful day!!!"

**Sr. Joan Linenbrink, 70 years**  
**Sr. Francesca Delgado, 65 years**  
**Sr. Karen Crouse, 60 years**  
**Sr. Patty Podhaisky, 40 years**

## **EARTH CARE:**

Reflection: You are blest among the planets, blest beneath the feet of the dancing circle of women. Unknown. Submitted by Sr. Gloria



**REGISTRATION: 150 YEARS - CROSSING THE THRESHOLD - THEN AND NOW**

The sisters and associates in the three US provinces/ community (Holy Name Province, Sacred Heart

Community, St. Francis Province) will be gathering to celebrate when the first sisters came to the United States in 1874. This celebration will be **June 28-30, 2024, at Holy Name Province in Stella Niagara, NY.** Please see the attached letter for more information and RSVP on the attached registration form **by May 31, 2024.**

**REST IN PEACE:**

Sister Tecla Etges, who died on May 11, 2024. She was born on August 10, 1933, and professed on February 2, 1961. Sister Tecla was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Province in Santa Maria, RS-Brazil.

Sister Maria Margarida Wagner, who died on May 13, 2024. She was born on November 2, 1926, and professed on February 3, 1948. Sister Maria Margarida was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Province in Santa Maria, RS-Brazil.

Sister Barbara Dyer, who died on May 14, 2024. She was born on December 9, 1931, and was professed on August 18, 1952. Sister Barbara was a member of St. Francis Province in Redwood City, CA.

**OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM OUR GENERAL MINISTER:**

Attached are the election results from Maria Immaculata Community in Remagen, Germany, and an announcement of a new elected councilor in Most Holy Trinity Province in Semarang, Indonesia.

Thank you for their 'yes,' and may the Holy Spirit guide them in their leadership.

**2024 CALENDAR OF SACRED HEART COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

Please contact Donna Kroll if you have any questions.

<b>Date, Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
May 27, 3:00 pm	Memorial Day Prayer & Dinner	Mount Olivet Cemetery <i>(if rain, Casa Chiara Office)</i>
June 6-June 8	Annual Community Meetings	Xavier Retreat Center, Denver
June 28-30	Celebrating 150 <sup>th</sup> Years of Franciscan Presence in North America	HNP, Stella Niagara, NY

