



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS  
**SACRED HEART PROVINCE (SHP)**  
NEWS BRIEF – SEPTEMBER 6, 2024

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**CANCELLED: MASS AT CASA CHIARA ON SEPTEMBER 8:**

We have cancelled Mass on Sunday, September 8 at 4:30 pm due to sickness among Casa Chiara members.

**INVITATION TO LCWR ASSEMBLY KEYNOTE SPEAKER ON ZOOM, SEPTEMBER 9:**

Associates and sisters are invited to keynote talk, via ZOOM, followed by small group sharing, on **Monday, September 9, 2024, at 4:30 pm MT**, 5:30 pm CT. Check your email for the zoom link.

The speaker is Bryan Massingale who addresses the question, “What does it mean to be a sign of courageous hope in a time that we do not know how to name?” His insights are thought provoking and his suggestions encouraging. This invitation is further explained in a letter from the three North American provincial ministers that was emailed prior to this Update going out. Contact Sue Artone-Fricke, [Sue@DenverOSF.org](mailto:Sue@DenverOSF.org), if you have questions or need additional information.

**NORTH AMERICAN PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE STIGMATA,  
SEPTEMBER 16:**

Associates and sisters, let us come together on Zoom, **Monday, September 16, 2024, at 4:30 pm MT**, 5:30 pm CT, for prayer on the eve of the 800<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the stigmata of St. Francis of Assisi. Prayer will be led by St. Francis Province. The Zoom link will be emailed to you on September 16. Contact Sue Artone-Fricke, [Sue@DenverOSF.org](mailto:Sue@DenverOSF.org), if you have questions or need additional information.

**EARTH CARE:**

Reflection: I Let my plant bring forth your flowers, let my fruit produce your seed. Let my heart become your lute, Beloved, and my body your flute of reed. (written by Hazrat Inayat Kahn, submitted by Sr. Gloria Shuffer)

**NEWSLETTER:**

- [Franciscan Centra Archive \(FCA\) Newsletter, Fall 2024](#)

## BRIDGING HOPE FUNDRAISER – 2 DATE OPTIONS!

(see attachment for more information or contact Sr. Sen Nguyen, [sen@bridging-hope.org](mailto:sen@bridging-hope.org))

<p><b>Please join us for an evening celebrating friendship, dance, music, art, and culture of Viet Nam</b></p> <p><i>Celebration in English</i></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Saturday, September 28, 2024 <b>Location:</b> The Mac - Recreation Center <b>Address:</b> 3295 W. 72nd Ave Westminster, CO 80030</p> <p><i>Celebration in Vietnamese</i></p> <p><b>Date:</b> Saturday, October 5, 2024 <b>Location:</b> Queen of Vietnamese Martyrs Church <b>Address:</b> 4695 N. Harlan St Wheat Ridge, CO 80033</p> <p><i>For Both Dates</i></p> <p><b>Time:</b> 6:00 p.m. - Hor D'oeuvre - Viewing of Art and Auction Items 7:00 p.m. - Traditional and Lion Dances, Music, Auction, Dinner &amp; More</p> <p><i>For Inquiries or to RSVP</i></p> <p>Call: (303) 477-0309 - Email: <a href="mailto:HOPE@bridging-hope.org">HOPE@bridging-hope.org</a></p> <p><b>RSVP:</b> For in English by Monday September 16, 2024 For in Vietnamese Wednesday by September 25, 2024</p>	<p><b>2025 Viet Nam Programs</b></p> <p>Mai Tâm Children Daily Bread (Mai Tâm Mothers) Còn Ân School Còn Ân Teacher Salary Elder Outreach Phú Hoà Orphanage Thiên Phước Center for Elders Dambri Milk Program for Children Đồng Tâm Orphanage Threads Women: Tuition for their children</p> <p><b>Mission Statement</b></p> <p>Bridging Hope is a Colorado nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide assistance to indigent, ill, disadvantaged and disabled women and children in Viet Nam both by raising awareness of their needs among citizens of Colorado and other Americans and by creating opportunities for charitable giving to support programs and projects in Viet Nam.</p>
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### PRAYER REQUEST:

- For healing and special prayer requests for the sisters in our congregation. (see attached)
- **PRAYER FOR THE 2024 GLOBAL ELECTIONS:**  
*Please join us in prayer each day throughout 2024 for elections around the globe. Written by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace.*

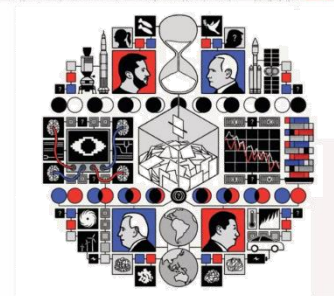
God of peace, these times demand a change of heart:  
to be, think, and act differently.

Pour out your Spirit on your people  
as we prepare to vote in 2024  
in unprecedented numbers across the globe.

May we strive to make peace a reality  
by becoming agents of reconciliation,  
transforming and transcending polarization,  
misinformation, and division during this election year.

Help us to recognize the reality of our interconnection and interdependence  
and to make decisions for the common good. Amen.

**THE WORLD AHEAD 2024**



TRAVELING:

Sisters Sue Artone-Fricke and Patty Podhaisky will be in Europe **September 25-October 25, 2024**. Both will have access to their phones' voice, text, and data and will return your messages when they can. *If you need something provincial, contact Sisters Karen Crouse or Gloria Shuffer (their contact info is on the province list) or Donna Kroll at 303-458-6270.* Patty and Sue will be touring Prague September 26-30 and Venice September 30-October 3, and then be in Rome October 3-25 for general chapter. Cheers!

