Heartprints

Whatever our hands touch
We leave fingerprints!
On walls, on furniture,
On doorknobs, dishes, books.
There’s no escape.
As we touch we leave our identity.

Oh God, wherever I go today
Help me leave heartprints!
Heartprints of compassion,
Of understanding and love.
Heartprints of kindness
And genuine concern.

May my heart
Touch a lonely neighbor
Or a runaway daughter
Or an anxious mother
or perhaps an aged grandfather.

Lord, send me out today
To leave heartprints!
And if someone should say,
“I felt your touch,”
May that someone sense
YOUR LOVE
Touching through me.

~ Author Unknown ~
Sisters and Associates in Volunteer Ministry

Sister Mary Becker

The Sisters first moved into the Santee area of San Jose, California in 1995, and the heartprints they have left over these years have made a definite difference. The presence of the Sisters was a catalyst for change in the neighborhood.

As Our Lady of Refuge Church was formed in 2012, the Santee Mission ceased its existence as a small mission community. But the Sisters continue to serve the neighborhood. Sister Mary Becker (Sister Joseph Thomas) volunteers in the choir and in the parish Faith Formation program where she prepares children with special needs to receive the sacraments. Simultaneously, she also collaborates with Catholic Charities Franklin-McKinley Children’s Initiative (FMCI) that provides educational and social programs for the people of this underserved area.

The initial SNJM commitment was to be a prayerful presence among the people in the Santee neighborhood. Continuing that mission, Sr. Mary visits families in their homes and is available for consults or conversations. She does staff training and volunteers with the FMCI. This Initiative grew out of the Sisters’ untiring commitment to improving the education and improving the unsafe streets and sub-standard housing; their neighborhood services include sourcing resources and legal referrals for housing and immigration issues, a new building (Educare) that houses several early learning programs, a new park, and open space for local use.

Sr. Mary also serves the San Jose Diocese in their program, Instituto de Liderazgo Ministerial. The Institute trains lay leaders who serve the Church in their local parishes.

Sister Miriam Mark Eddy

St. Anthony School and Parish have been blessed by Sister Miriam Mark’s ministry for 32 years. In 2009, she transitioned from teaching to volunteer work at the school and in the parish. Her responsibilities at the school include setting up, overseeing, and following up with the school payroll. She is on the Tuition Assistance Committee and meets and works with parents to assist them in meeting their financial responsibilities. Sr. Miriam Mark prepares the 2nd-grade students for First Holy Communion. In addition, she prepares the school children for their participation in School Masses and a once a month Parish Mass as lectors, etc.

Teaching Religious Education in the parish and preparing children for their First Holy Communion continues to keep her involved with the parishioners and their families.

Since 1994, Sr. Miriam Mark has been the coordinator of the Marie Rose Guild in Southern California working with her team to prepare two luncheons each year. These luncheons are the highlight of the Guild activity in the area.

“You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.
~C.S. LEWIS

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Kathy Herrington, Associate

**Kathy Herrington** was educated by the Holy Names Sisters in Santa Monica, and for 28 years she has been an SNJM Associate. But not just any Associate as she jumped right in accepting leadership roles for the Northern California Associates and then the US-Ontario Province Associates. Kathy served on the Associate Core Advisory Committee (ACAC), which later became the Associate Coordinating Committee (ACC): a Province committee focused on developing a common Associate curriculum. She has been on the committee for the start-up of the Bay Area Conference of Associates and Religious (BACAR). She continues her commitment as a board member of the North American Conference of Associates and Religious (NACAR).

But just as important as her volunteer leadership commitments is her volunteer work with the Sisters. For 12 years her ministry work has included driving the Sisters to appointments, events and other activities. She has been the transportation coordinator for community events that includes airport pick-ups and drop-offs. She assists with receptions, participates as a reader or Eucharistic minister in Masses, and at Villa Maria del Mar, you can find her as a hostess for groups and part of the Spiritual Ministry Network. Kathy faithfully attends the Development events (Dinners, Luncheons, Teas, Boutiques), but even better she always brings new friends continually introducing the Sisters of the Holy Names to others.

Sister Marian Watkins

**Sister Marian Watkins**, in Portland Oregon continues her ministry as a volunteer grassroots “matchmaker.” She always has an “ear out” to hear about organizations who need items, and then she spreads the word about the need, finds the items, and finds people who help her with the pick-up and delivery. She has a knack for locating items—food, clothing, furniture, medical equipment, and more from a variety of sources and gets them delivered to nonprofit groups who put them to immediate use. Two of these nonprofits include the Community Transitional School and Mother and Child Education Center.

For more than ten years, Sr. Marian has been an active volunteer helping to meet the needs of the students at the Community Transitional School in NE Portland. The students, ages 4 to 14, come from families that live in homeless and domestic violence shelters, cheap motels, on the floor of a friend’s home and even outside in the family car. All are in situations where poverty and uncertainty dominate their young lives.

Two stories highlight her work matchmaking for the school. When St. Ignatius Parish, her home parish, received a box full of brand new Nike shoes, she asked how they would be used; the office staff said: “you can take them to distribute.” She took the shoes to the Community Transitional School where new athletic shoes really made a difference in the lives of the students.

In the 1970s, when she was a volunteer at the Oregon SNJM Provincial House, she met Tran, a Vietnamese immigrant and the property’s gardener. He told her that his daughter, Mary, was a student at Portland State and that she and her roommate were in need of some necessities such as warm coats and blankets. Sr. Marian and the Sisters provided the young women with the items they needed. Recently, Sr. Marian received a call from Mary saying that she wanted to “give back.” Sr. Marian took Mary to the Community Transitional School where Mary met some of the students and heard about their needs. Mary said, “let’s go to some stores so that I can buy the items they need.” Sr. Marian responded, “No, first we’ll go shopping at the Salvation Army where we can purchase many of these things and support a good organization as well.” And so they did.

Sr. Marian was honored in 2016 by the Mother and Child Education Center for her years of service. “Sr. Marian has been a long-time supporter of our efforts to help mothers with basic necessities and support,” said Executive Director Maura White. “We smile every time she walks through the door.”

To learn more about these organizations:
Community Transitional School
www.transitionalschool.org
Mother and Child Education Center: momchildpdx.org
Sisters in Oakland

Some of our Sisters have had the good luck to be able to return to their Alma Maters and volunteer their time, talents and wisdom. How fortunate for them to walk the halls once as a student, then as a Sister and teacher, and once again, with the sole purpose of being of service and leaving heartprints.

Sister Dianne Nixon (Sister Brian Anthony), Class of ’57 and former member of the faculty has returned to Holy Names High School.

“Assisting our Librarian at HNHS Monday through Thursday is one of my delights. This is my third year as a volunteer.” Some students are scheduled for independent study in the Library, and her role is to see that the girls use their time well, answer questions, and assist in signing out books.

Sr. Dianne also coordinates the Women in Medicine Speaker Series once a month which has been enriching for students interested in the Medical Professions. It has given Sr. Dianne a chance to reach out to women professionals in the health field and expose students to various career options relatively unknown to them such as Interventional Cardiologist, Podiatrist, Pediatric Nursing, and Health Care Services for the poor. The presenters include some Holy Names’ Alum working in the East Bay, and the response has been positive.

“It’s lots of fun meeting the teenage HNHS Lady Monarchs and school staff of the 21st century. This is a special place for young women and their families in the Oakland hills! Come visit us!”

Sister Noël Girard (Sister James Paul) is a 1951 Alum of HNHS—her 66th year from graduation!

In 1994, Sr. Noël returned to HNHS as yearbook moderator which she did for five years. Since 2000, she has been volunteering. The job title “volunteer” has allowed for flexibility to fill in where ever needed. Over the past 16 years, she has been substitution coordinator, lunchtime librarian, and filled in at the office when shorthanded. She put together the programs for the school liturgies and Homecoming Mass, made placards for the auction items at the yearly Crab Feed, was in charge of decorations and the program for the Fund Her Future event. She also attended the Alumnae Association meetings and helped with some of their projects.

In addition to helping in the Development Office, and with events, Sr. Noël plays the string bass. “Playing bass at school liturgies, concerts and every week in the HNHS orchestra keeps me young at heart and in touch with our student musicians.”

Sister Donna Maynard (Sister Anne Regina) has a long history at HNHS. As a teacher of English, she developed a love of literature and of learning with the students at HNHS. Sister was principal at HNHS from 1969 to 1977, a challenging time in all high schools, and worked creatively with teachers and students to create an environment where young women learned to serve and lead.

For the last three years, on Thursday, Sister Donna can be found in the library covering the desk as needed. Her presence allows the Librarian to meet with faculty/students in their class setting and know there is an adult present in the library. She attends events sponsored by the Development Office and is present at Homecoming and special class gatherings organized by alums—renewing friendships and sharing stories of HNHS.

Sister Carol Nicklas (Sister Joseph Patrick) has double duty as a volunteer. On any given day you may find her at Holy Names High School or ‘up the road’ at Holy Names University.

Sr. Carol is a volunteer in the HNHS Development Department. Her ‘job’ is to research obituaries and address changes in order to keep the database updated. Recently, she has been working on the Alumnae Archives to get them in better order. In addition, Sr. Carol is part of the team effort to assist with activities for alums: Homecoming, recent alum Christmas gatherings; for the school: Back to School Night, Open House, Welcome for new families, and Personnel celebrations; and for the broader community: Fund Her Future, ‘Boots and Barbecue’, and other fundraising events.

“As a former faculty member, it is always delightful to have the opportunity to meet former students at some of these events.”
Two days a week, Sr. Carol volunteers at Holy Names University doing some of the same things: finding obituaries and trying to locate data for their ‘lost’ members. As a member of the HNU Development team, she assists with many of their activities – both for alums and fundraising.

Sr. Carol participates in the SNJM+ Cafe’s in which Sisters, faculty, and staff gather to discuss the SNJM Core Values and Corporate Stands, Camp HNU which provides HNU history and charism education to faculty and staff as well as Founders’ Day events.

During Convocation 2016, Sister Maureen Hester (Sister Robert Michael), professor emerita of psychology, was recognized for her 50 years of service to HNU. Sr. Carol Sellman was one of many to offer tributes to Sr. Maureen recognizing her warm personality, her generosity of spirit, and her intense devotion to the University and the HNU community.

“Sr. Maureen, you have been such an important part of this campus for the past 50 years,” Sr. Carol said. “We can never thank you for the numerous ways you have contributed... all the countless things that you have done to help form Holy Names University into a wonderful institution. In 1999, you were designated by the Society for the Teaching of Psychology as a PRT—Precious Resource in Teaching.

For HNU, Maureen, you are our most precious resource.”

Sr. Maureen, also an alum, was a professor of psychology at Holy Names University. When she stepped back from teaching, the University called forth her skills and talents to begin two initiatives.

First, she was tasked as Coordinator of Community-Based Learning for Faculty Development. At Holy Names University, service-learning is an educational approach that builds bridges between students and community partners. Sr. Maureen met with faculty and helped them integrate community-based service into their classes.

Starting last year, Sr. Maureen is mentoring the new faculty: discussing how their teaching or research is going and helping them to find balance in their lives.

All the Sister volunteers participate with the Sisters on the Faculty and in Administration in the SNJM sponsored events at the schools: the Feast of Mother Rose, The Dec. 8th Mass with the renewal of vows, and the May 10th Strawberry Day activities.

Your Support Makes a Difference

Your gift in the enclosed envelope will be used to support the volunteer ministries of our Sisters. Whatever the size of your donation, know that we are sincerely grateful for your generosity. Thank you.
Villa Maria del Mar Volunteers

In 1963, the Sisters of the Holy Names began their retreat ministry at Villa Maria del Mar in Santa Cruz, California. Throughout the years, Sisters have served as director, hostess and receptionist. The SNJM presence continues today with many Sisters and Associates helping as volunteers.

The core staff consists of Sister Cheryl Milner, Director, and Sister Mimi Maloney, who oversees the weekly liturgies and the monthly “Taize Prayer Around the Cross” at the Villa Chapel.

Sister Peggy Hurley and Sister Grayce Ross volunteer for a few days each week. Sr. Peggy works with the financial planning, while Sr. Grayce is hostess, receptionist, and responsible for the environment of the Villa general spaces.

Throughout the year, more than thirty (30) Sisters and Associates volunteer to serve as weekend hostesses for the groups who experience a retreat or days of reflection at the Villa. The volunteers join with the paid staff to carry on the charism of hospitality and to fulfill the Mission of the Villa:

“To provide a prayerful environment of peace and beauty for people who seek God. We serve a diversity of persons in a spirit of openness, reverence and respect.”

Visit their newly designed website: www.VillaMariadelMar.org for information about the Villa, for reservations and programs.

Villa Maria del Mar Spirituality Program

The Villa Spirituality Team—Sister Molly Neville, Sister Lois MacGillivray and Lynn Rombi, Associate, are truly amazed at the growth of the Villa Spirituality Program begun in 2014. Offerings include: Spiritual Direction, monthly retreats, Spiritual Director Training, Retreat Director Mentoring and Peer-Support Supervision. It began as filling a need to offer skills and training for pastoral ministers. Now, with a team of presenters and facilitators, the Villa offers spiritual ministry year round. Sally Jo Greig, new SNJM Associate as of November 2016, is a welcome addition to the Spiritual Direction/Retreat Intern group. She has master degrees from both Mount Angel Seminary and Loyola University and is a Master Catechist in the Diocese of Monterey.

The Spirituality Program offers a wide range of offerings including: Introduction to the Enneagram and retreats such as Honoring the Chaos in your Life, The Kiss of God and Laughter and Love in Lent.

The week-long Summer Intensive: Renewal By the Sea will be held June 27–July 2, 2017. To view photos of the program in action and upcoming events or learn more, view our Spirituality Facebook page: www/Facebook.com/villamariaspirituality or email: villamariaspirituality@gmail.com or call 831 475-1236. All are welcome!

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Sister Marilyn Marx

Mater Christi’s Food Pantry in Albany, New York, is blessed to have a number of faithful volunteers including Sister Marilyn Marx. As the Sunday bulletin announcement says: “Hunger Never Takes a Vacation.” The parish is good about helping their neighbors with their personal food donations to the Pantry. The clients that come to the Mater Christi Food Pantry are from the New Scotland Avenue neighborhoods. They are retirees, families, people with mental and/or physical challenges, college students and some who do not speak English. They are people who just need some help to make ends meet.

Sr. Marilyn volunteers the first Thursday of each month stocking shelves, then usually fills-in during the month when the clients come, helping them select their food items. Sr. Marilyn said “I really like working with the client as this is where the ministry is. I always get more than I give. It really makes me appreciate what I have – I feel spoiled!”

Mater Christ Parish, with the aid of financial donations, purchases food from the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The Food Pantry is located in a small bungalow house that was left to the parish by two parishioners. It is close to a bus stop and Mater Christi volunteers offer transportation service for those who need it, especially during the winter months. Sr. Marilyn and the Mater Christi Parish are very grateful to the SNJM Ministry Grant Program that they have participated in the past two years. These grant funds have allowed the Pantry to purchase a commercial freezer, refrigerator and shopping baskets.

Sr. Marilyn also keeps busy as a member of the Mater Christi Sunday Communion Service Team. This ministry is located at Marie Rose Manor, a low income apartment complex sponsored by the Diocese of Albany. She is a member of the Health and Wellness team helping to care for our sisters in the Albany area.

Update from the Novitiate House

In 2015, a new Novitiate House was established in Berkeley, California to welcome Sr. Michelle Garlinski as its first novice. As Sr. Michelle transitioned from her canonical year to her second novitiate year back in Winnipeg, the Novitiate House (Arch Street) underwent a metamorphosis into a house that encourages the exploration of religious life. They welcome interested women to visit for overnights or weekends and maintain contact with women in the Bay Area who are interested in religious life and our Sisters. They host a monthly prayer group for interested women and the Sisters who support them. In 2016, they welcomed two new pre-candidates: Christian Cahill and Angela Tae.

Christian Cahill first met our Sisters in Seattle during her student days at Seattle University. She met more SNJM members while getting her MDiv degree at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley. She is currently the Liturgy Coordinator/Youth Minister at the Carmel Mission Basilica in Carmel, California. She spends time visiting Arch Street and Villa Maria del Mar in Santa Cruz.

Angela Hye Young Tae first became aware of our SNJM community a few years ago by watching a YouTube presentation by Sr. Sophia Park. She earned a BA in Political Science from the University of California and is fluent in Korean, Spanish and English. Angela is currently living at the Arch Street house with Srs. Carol Nicklas and Beth Liebert and works as an immigration paralegal for a law firm in San Francisco.

We send a heartfelt welcome to Christian and Angela.

A quote from the Pre-Candidate blessing: “Guide also the Sisters of the Holy Names. Let us respond with transparency and candor about the joys and struggles of our lives. Let us open our hearts to hold our sister in her exploration, always leaving her free to be herself before you. Be with each of us in this group as we support one another on our respective journeys.”
Introducing our New Congregational Leadership

Last July, representatives from all SNJM provinces and sectors gathered for the community’s 34th General Chapter. The Chapter is a special convocation the Sisters hold every five years to prayerfully choose new leaders and make major decisions about their future direction and organizational structure. As part of that process, the new Congregational Leadership Team was named. **Sister Linda Haydock** of Seattle, WA will serve as Congregational Leader, in partnership with three councilors: **Sister Lorna Cooney** of Dorval, Quebec, **Sister Mary Ellen Holohan** of Portland, OR and **Sister Kathleen Ross** of Yakima, WA.

**Sister Linda** is a well-respected social justice advocate. As the founding executive director of the Seattle-based Intercommunity Peace and Justice Center, she has ministered on behalf of people on the margins of society. IPJC is a partnership of religious communities that challenges corporations to change unjust practices, advocates for sustainable water resources, seeks to end human trafficking, facilitates empowering action by low-income women through Women’s Justice Circles and fosters opportunities for young adults to gather for justice, spirituality and community building. Sister Linda has nurtured IPJC’s growth as a community-building force for systemic change for economic, racial and environmental justice. She is the recipient of the 2016 Archbishop Raymond G. Hunthausen Humanitarian Award.

**Sister Lorna** has worked for many years to promote understanding of the SNJM charism, which is God’s unique gift to the Sisters of the Holy Names to share with the world. She is bilingual and bi-cultural as a native of French-speaking Montreal, Quebec. In addition to serving three prior terms in SNJM Congregational leadership, Sister Lorna heads the Charism Office and is the creator of “Pilgrimage of the Heart,” a retreat experience based on the life of Blessed Marie Rose Durocher and the sacred sites of the religious community she founded.

**Sister Mary Ellen** is returning to Congregational leadership after ministering for 10 years on the U.S.-Ontario Province Leadership Team, including five years as Provincial leader. Previously, she served as a member of the Congregational Leadership Team and was chosen as its first presiding leader from the United States. Within the Province, her ministries have ranged from outreach to the elderly and sick in a low-income parish to resource and infrastructure management, always working to support the goals of the Congregation.

As founding President of Heritage University, **Sister Kathleen** is nationally known as a leader in higher education, especially in the field of cross-cultural communication. As provost of Fort Wright College in Spokane, WA in the 1970s, she built partnerships with the people of the Yakima Nation and initiated new opportunities for rural, minority and low-income students to gain four-year college degrees. Her work has been recognized by numerous awards, including the 1989 Harold McGraw Prize in education, the 1991 John Carroll Award from Georgetown University and the 1995 State of Washington Medal of Merit. In 1997, she was selected as a MacArthur Foundation Fellow, also known as the “Genius Grant.”

We feel especially blessed to have such committed and talented women as our leadership. The heartprints they have already left are a great indication of things to come.

On August 15, 1846, after three years of initial formation, the foundresses, Sisters Marie-Rose, Marie Agnès and Marie-Madeleine, as well as Véronique-du-Crucifix and Thérèse-de-Jésus, promised to consecrate their lives to God forever. At this first SNJM celebration of perpetual profession, they committed themselves to following the Rules and Constitutions of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.
Remember a Sister who made a difference in your life

In addition to my gifts during the year, I made a gift to the Pooled Income Fund to thank the Sisters who nurtured me as a person and as an educator. I feel privileged for the education I received at HNHS and HNC which prepared me for my career as a math teacher and later as a volunteer at Next Step Learning Center. This gift was made in honor of Sister Christina Maria and Sister Catherine Louise and my own sister, Sister Margaret Campbell (Sister Lawrence Mary). I encourage former students and friends of the Sisters to consider making a legacy gift as a way of thanking the Sisters for teaching us what was necessary to prepare for life. Beyond the financial benefits I receive from the Pooled Income Fund each quarter, I value the prayers of the Sisters and being remembered at their Mass. It is encouraging for me to know that my gift will support the Sisters and the ministries of the Sisters in years to come.

The Sisters have always been part of their lives. Jim attended St. Cecilia’s School in San Francisco, as did his two younger brothers; so for a period of 17 years, his mother, Mary Jo Matthews, fed, cared for, and transported the Sisters on a weekly basis. During this same time, Elaine’s mother, (later Jim’s favorite Mother-in-Law) living in West Linn, Oregon was well acquainted with the Sisters at the Provincial House and at the Christy School. Foster girls from the school could be found residing at the ‘Red and Phyllis Cooper’ residence. Weekends brought extra girls ‘home’ to join Sunday church services and share the busy family environment.

In later years Mary Jo lived in Los Gatos, and eventually because of illness moved to the Terraces. Sister Margaret Nicholson miraculously appeared, providing companionship, while attending to her spiritual needs. Jim and Elaine were residing in Washington DC; Sister Margaret was ‘instantly part of the family, and we were blessed by her presence and friendship.’

Jim said, “As a couple we are very blessed, and strongly believe in sharing. The Sisters were a natural fit into a portion of our largess, hence our decision to become SNJM Partners in 2011. We find monthly gifts are a powerful way of supporting the Sisters. The prayers and visits of the Sisters have continued to be important parts of our life.”

Please contact Sr. Kathryn Ondreyco at kondreyco@snjmuson.org or 408-395-0259 if you are interested in Planned Giving or the Monthly Giving Program.
In Memoriam

Sister Margaret Campbell
Sister Lawrence Mary
“To Winter’s somber night
Life-light comes streaming
All of life’s darkness is vanished away.
As fern frond waits, hidden,
Tight-wound with promise
To unfold its green splendor
In the love-light of day.
Child—now call us
To awaken, refreshed...
Let all of Creation in hope be now blessed.”
Sister Jackie Graham, PBVM

Sister Thaddeus Mary
July 31, 1925–Oct. 20, 2016
“I have another day
There may be nothing heroic in it.
But it’s mine.
The steps - the words -
The things I’ll touch -
The faces I’ll see -
They are part of the fabric of my life.
Life is this - no more - steps, touch,
small deeds, eloquent or not...
it’s up to me.”
Sister Nora Christian, 1986

Sister Mary Alice Hein
Sister Emmanuella Mary
“My Beloved lifts up his voice: he says to me:
Come then, my love, my lovely one, come.
For see, winter is past,
the rains are over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth.
The season of glad songs has come.”
Song of Songs

Sister Miriam Jeanne Murphy
Helene Patricia Murphy
June 12, 1925–Nov. 29, 2016
“When she raised her hands over the keyboard I had a sense of total authority, and also a sense of terrific love, as though the piano was not an inanimate object but a dearly beloved person. And when she started to play, it was as though she and the piano were playing together.”
Madeleine L’Engle

Sister Mary Ann Stark
Sister Clara Mary
Nov. 17, 1930–Dec. 20, 2016
“May we live this day...
Compassionate of heart
Gentle in word
Gracious in awareness
Courageous in thought
Generous in love”
John O’Donohue

Sister Ruth Raftery
Sister Rosalia Mary
“I am eager to give God the best that is in me,
to thank God for God’s great gift to me.”
Sister Ruth Raftery, 1934

Sister Barbara Williams
Sister Roberta Marie
Sept. 29, 1926–Feb. 12, 2017
“Give me only your love
and your grace.
That’s enough for me”
Saint Ignatius Loyola

We pray for the repose of the soul of our Associates:
Robert Beliveau Sept. 18, 2016
Charlotte Bremond Sept 23, 2016

To learn more about the life and ministry of these Sisters, visit www.snjmca.org: select Sisters Obituaries under News and Events
Gift of Prayer

A Gift of Prayer is a thoughtful and special way to honor a friend or relative, give thanks for God’s many blessings, or celebrate a special occasion: birthday, wedding, anniversary; or remember the deceased.

A Gift of Prayer can be particularly consoling for a friend or loved one who is coping with a death or other life challenge. Prayers may be requested for special intentions, such as improved health, successful surgery, comfort, strength, peace or whatever is needed.

A card acknowledging your gift is sent to the person or family indicated and we’ll send you a thank-you card as well. Donation amounts are always kept confidential and we do not put the recipient on any solicitation list. Contributions help support the Sisters and their ministries.

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healing, strength, peace, gratitude, speedy recovery, safe trip, etc.

☐ TO HONOR/CELEBRATE _________________________________________

birthday, baptism, anniversary, holiday, promotion, friendship, etc.

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SIGN CARD FROM _______________________________________________

personal note (optional) __________________________________________

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Thank You for Your Christmas Gifts

Your prayer ornaments adorned the Christmas tree in the foyer of the Marie Rose Chapel this Christmas season. In January, Sister Sally Gunn and Sister Jeanne Cather helped the Development team sort the ornaments to be handed out to Sisters and Associates, who will be praying for you and your intentions all year.

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Listen to A Nun’s Life Interview with Sisters Sally and Cynthia

On October 21, Sister Cynthia Canning and Sister Sally Gunn were interviewed live at the Marie Rose Chapel in Campbell for A Nun’s Life Podcast. In the recording, Sr. Cynthia and Sr. Sally talked about their call to religious life, responded to questions from listeners, and exchanged insights about faith and ministry with the program’s two hosts, Sisters Julie Vieira and Maxine Kollasch Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

An audience of Sisters, Associates and friends was on hand to applaud, laugh and enjoy the conversation. In addition, Sr. Martha Rolley, helped field real-time questions and comments from listeners posting in the chat room, which the audience could read on a projection screen.

To listen to the podcast, click: https://anunslife.org/podcasts/ask-sister/as190-SNJM-CampbellCA-mrt