

Provincial Team Report

Ursulines of Central Province

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June 2018

Team Meeting — June 27 - July 2

Our Team meeting at the end of the month of June was filled with many issues and details needing to be addressed. During our meeting the news came from Deana about our sister Ursula. The three of us spontaneously decided to go to the hospital to be with Ursula and be a support for Deana. Ursula's death came only too quickly as we accompanied her on her final journey.

Alms were distributed to the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help to be used for their environmental programs. We also appointed members to Ursuline Academy Foundation of New Orleans as well as a member for the Board of Trustees for Ursuline Academy in Dedham.

Madonna joined us for our annual review of our sponsored school ministries. We focused on Ursuline Academy of Kirkwood's Identity Assessment and their new President.

Looking ahead, we worked on preparations for our Provincial Chapter in the fall of 2018. We talked about topics such as healthcare, sponsorship, property, socially responsible investments/alms, etc. that will be integrated into our Team report and we decided who will be invited to present portions of this report during the chapter. We blocked out several days in July to work together on this report.

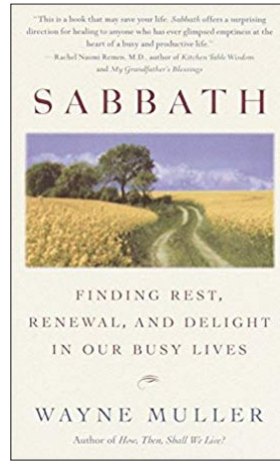
We were delighted to have two of our sisters from Thailand visiting us for a few days. Sisters Somchitr and Thipkanok spent three days with us and had the opportunity to visit some of the sights in St. Louis and the surrounding area. We had a special picnic on Saturday where our sisters in the St. Louis area treated them to hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings.



Suggested Reading

Sabbath by Wayne Muller offers a rich mixture of practices, including poems and stories that help explore a Sabbath practice in one's life be it for a morning, afternoon, or entire day.

"Sabbath time assumes that if we step back and rest, we will see the wholeness in it all. We will naturally apprehend the good in how things are, taste the underlying strength, beauty, and wisdom that lives even in the difficult days, take delight in the gift and blessing of being alive." (Wayne Muller)



Our Sympathy . . .

. . . to the sisters of the Our Lady of Wisdom community on the death of our sister, Carla Maria Crabtree, who died on May 27, 2018.

. . . to our sisters at the St. Agnes Home community on the death of our sister, Ursula McGann, who died on June 27, 2018.

Social Justice Notes

The US senate passed its version of the Farm Bill. This version does not include the punitive and restrictive changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (food stamps). The two bills must now be reconciled in conference committee. Please contact both your senators and representatives and encourage support of the senate bill (it is a bipartisan bill).

LCWR encourages continued action to end family separation in our immigration practices. Please consider how you can best support efforts to re-unite families and end the criminalization of persons seeking refugee or asylee status. LCWR has also spoken out in defense of our Moslem brothers and sisters and against discrimination against them solely because of their places of birth.

Once again, the horror of mass shootings is brought before us. The website www.everytown.org has information on ways to end this horror.

The [Catholic Climate Covenant](#) has information on ways in which we can continue responding to the call of *Laudato Si*. There are many local, regional and national actions that can have an impact.

Appointments

Colette Jokerst

Francis Place
Ministry of Prayer

Please hold in prayer . . .

. . . the interprovincial gathering for Ursulines 70 and under who will meet July 18 – 21 in Eastport, New York. If you would like to send some words of support either by e-mail hopmanj@gmail.com or handwritten (c/o the province office), please see that it arrives no later than July 16. Jean will take them to the gathering and share them with the group. Three Sisters from Central Province are participating.

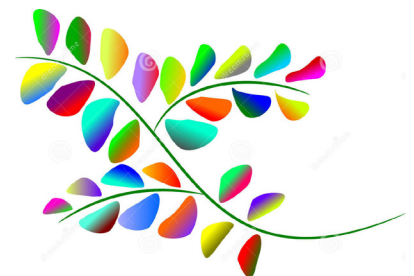
Congratulations . . .

. . . to our Sisters celebrating jubilees in July:

50 years Deana Walker

60 years Mary Frances Judge
Marianne Mullen

65 years Theresa Pelletier



July Province Office Hours

During the month of July
the province offices will close at 4p.m.

On Monday, July 16, the province offices will be
closed all day while the carpets are being cleaned.



Welcome . . .

. . . to Patrice Clifford who will arrive back in the
province at the end of July and will go first to
New Orleans to visit family and friends. We are
so happy to have you home with us.

. . . to Atanzia Dobosova
of Slovakia who will be
coming to New Orleans
prior to going to tertianship.
She will work with Regina
Marie exploring art with
children and helping to
build/renovate houses with
the St. Bernard Project.



. . . to Somchitr Krongboonsri and Thipkanok
Prasopchokchai of Thailand who are visiting St
Louis for a few days while they are in the United
States to visit Alice Bouchard and our sisters in
the eastern province.

Phone Directory Updates

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Phone and E-mail
remain the same

Provincial Team Dates

Rita Ann

July 18-22Eastport, NY Gathering of
Ursulines under 70
July 22-29Vacation days
August 21.....Ursuline Trust Fund Meeting

Maria Teresa

July 9-13Boston, MA Archive meeting
July 13-18Visitation: Mère Marie
community
July 24Francis Place visit
August 21.....Ursuline Trust Fund Meeting

Jean

July 17-22Eastport, NY Gathering of
Ursulines under 70
July 25 - Aug 3.....Family Visit

All

August 7-10St. Louis LCWR National
Assembly
August 20-22Team Meeting



DATES TO REMEMBER

August 8.....Chapter Registrations due to Adele
August 31.....Formal Chapter proposals due to
Chapter Planning Committee
September 21.....Sexennial Reports due to Team
November 9-13Provincial Chapter
December 1.....Annual Report due to Team
November 2019.....Chapter follow-up meeting

Be bound to one another

by the bond of CHARITY,

— treating each other with respect

— helping one another

— bearing with one another

in CHRIST JESUS.



Artwork by Ursula McGann, osu