

Provincial Team Report

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Team Meeting — October 16-18

We began our meeting two days after the canonization of St. Oscar Romero and our six other new saints. We shared about the ways we celebrated this extraordinary moment. Maria Teresa attended a local parish Mass and celebration Saturday night honoring Archbishop Romero and on Sunday Jean participated in the pilgrimage and Mass at the Cathedral Basilica. MT also reflected on a trip she made to El Salvador several years ago and the significance of praying at Romero's tomb. His life calls us all to conversion of heart.

Our agenda moved us between the present and the future, the local and the global. Personnel issues were discussed, and appointments made. We attended to information received from two of our schools. Our alms this month were distributed to [MicroFinancing Partners in Africa](#) and [Catholic](#)

[Legal Immigration Network, Inc.](#) We continued working on the province sexennial report. It will be sent out at the end of this month and voted on during the Chapter. We prepared for the upcoming Ursuline Education Foundation (UEF) board meeting. Rita and Maria Teresa shared information and their experiences from the meeting of the Missouri Bishops and Major Superiors which they attended the day before our meeting began.

All week we've had workmen here installing the new patio doors which received water damage when the pipe broke at the end of last year. With approximately ten weeks left before the one-year anniversary, we are almost finished with the repairs! The culmination will be the return of the archives from the basement that were sent to Chicago for restoration.

*On our journey together may we, too, be valiant women
as we strive to live the gospel,
reaching out to others,
our church,
our world.*

*We wish you all a very happy and grace-filled
feast of St. Ursula!*



Social Justice Notes

Catholic Charities has called for support/donations to aid those in the US suffering the aftermath of hurricanes Florence and Michael. The people of Venezuela are in true crisis and there is great need in Indonesia as well. Please respond as you can.

It is also important that we remain engaged in issues (and elections) in our local areas to further the call for comprehensive immigration reform, living wages for those at the lower end of the wage scale, and a serious dialogue on the extent and impact of racism in our society. Pope Francis reminds us that we are called to stand with all those whose voices have been silenced or dismissed. There are so many areas of critical need that seem to get lost in all of the distractions in the public arena. It is important that we continue to call our elected officials to work for the common good and not simply respond to the most recent crisis.



Nuns on the Bus

The "Nuns on the Bus Tax Justice Truth Tour" on its way to Mar-A-Lago rolled into St. Louis on October 17th. Eight of us attended the packed rally held at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church. The purpose of the bus tour this year is to raise consciousness about the effects of the tax policy which was recently passed by Congress and how it will impact Americans. Network devised a visual presentation that helped people to realize the divide in economic wealth that is only growing wider. The impact of this individualistic policy will erode many Federal programs that so many families rely on for help. We were encouraged to speak up and stay engaged. Some ways to do that could be by contacting our representatives/senators in Washington or simply talking together in families or neighborhoods. We were urged to remember the first three words of the Constitution: "We, the people!"

Appointments

Patrice Clifford

New Orleans (Valence)
Community Service and
Ministry of Prayer

Carla Dolce

Our Lady of Wisdom
Ministry of Prayer

Genevieve Goessling

Mother of Perpetual Help,
Assisted Living
Ministry of Prayer

Ann Mary Hasting

St. Joseph Village,
Assisted Living
Ministry of Prayer

Mary K. Milne

Dallas
Community Service and
Ministry of Prayer

Ann Smith

Francis Place
Ministry of Prayer



We encourage everyone to vote in the midterm elections.

Phone Directory Updates

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Email and cell remain the same

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(314) 888-6872
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Mary K Milne

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Dallas, TX 75230

Email and Cell remain the same
(land line will be installed later)

Ann Smith

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Congratulations . . .

. . . to Ascension School in Oak Park on the dedication of their new library resource center named "The Ursuline Center". Ascension holds many fond memories for our sisters who had the privilege of teaching and administering at the school.



Provincial Team Dates

Rita Ann

October 30 - November 3 RCRI National Meeting, Orlando, FL

November 6.....Francis Place Board Meeting, St. Louis, MO

November 20.....Annual Illinois Bishop Meeting with Major Superiors, Springfield, IL

Jean

October 30 - November 1LCWR Region X Meeting, Dubuque, IA

Maria Teresa

October 30 - November 1LCWR Region X Meeting, Dubuque, IA

November 5.....Workshop "Aging grace-fully" Mercy Center, St. Louis, MO

All

October 23 Ursuline Education Foundation Meeting, St. Louis, MO

November 9-13 Province Chapter, St. Louis, MO

November 16-18 Team Days, Ruma, IL

Next team meeting.....November 27-29

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 9-13Provincial Chapter

December 1.....Annual Report due to Team

July 25-28, 2019Ursuline Convocation in St. Louis

Oct 31 — Nov 4, 2019....Chapter follow-up meeting

Recommended Reading/Listening

Mary Jacqueline Pratt recommends a TED talk,
"The Five Senses".

During fundraising events on NPR, the announcers often speak of a "driveway moment," when the story is so compelling you just can't turn off the radio in your car even though you've reached your destination, so you wait in quiet for the end of the story. That was my experience both times I heard the TED Talk program I recommend to you. First heard on January 20, 2017, then repeated a couple of months ago, I was in awe at the beauty of our body, our senses, and the ways in which we are invited to continue to grow as we make sense of living, especially with some diminishment.

You, too, can enjoy that program online, either by reading the article or listening to the broadcast at the following: <https://www.npr.org/programs/ted-radio-hour/510456207/the-five-senses>. It takes about an hour to listen to the full program.

Roman Union Chapters

Please remember in prayer our sisters who are meeting in Chapter in the coming weeks:

GENERALATE	22 – 25 October 2018
USA WEST	25 – 27 October 2018
SLOVENIA.....	26 – 30 October 2018
CZECHO-MORAVIA	27 – 29 October 2018
SLOVAKIA.....	30 Oct – 3 Nov 2018
IRELAND/WALES	1 - 4 November 2018
SANTIAGO CHILE	9 – 11 November 2018
ENGLAND.....	13 - 16 November 2018
BRAZIL.....	16 – 18 November 2018
THAILAND	3 – 7 December 2018
INDONESIA	4 – 9 December 2018

Regina Marie Fronmüller and Loyola Students

On September 18, 2018, Loyola University of New Orleans had the first meeting of their newly established Women's Fellowship Group. Regina Marie Fronmüller was invited to speak with the group about the importance of discernment, leadership, and relationships in their spiritual lives. After her talk, the group discussed major "takeaways" and how to implement these ideas in their everyday lives.

