



**Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet**  
**April 13th, 2017**

**Next issue April 21st**

**SAVE THE DATE**



**Open House**  
**Medaille Community**

Saturday, April 29th  
Anytime between  
1:00 and 4:00 p.m.  
2028 W. 24th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90018



**Beautiful Names of God**  
**in the Qu'ran**

Sunday, April 30th  
2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Given by Sr. Marianne Farina, CSC  
Mount Saint Mary's Doheny,  
Donohue Center



**How Shall We Live?**  
**Toward a Prophetic Response**

Sister Nancy Sylvester  
July 5 -7, 2017

[Flyer](#)

**EDITOR'S NOTE**

Last week we erroneously identified the woman pictured with Sister Barbara Sullivan as Sister Judith Lovechick's niece. In reality, her name is Jana Bommerbach who gracefully served as the ceremony's MC. ❖



## House of Hospitality Transitions to Home for SJW Workers



Several months ago Sister Dawn Annette Mills, OSB Prioress General, sent Sisters Colleen and Kathleen Harris, CSJs a letter stating the painful decision in having to close their Monastery in Tucson after 80 years. Sister Dawn wrote, "You have been connected to us in a significant way as both a friend and partner in our ministry of prayer."

Months following, Sister Joan Ridley OSB, Tucson Prioress, requested help from Sisters Colleen and Kathleen to assist them with organizing, networking, planning rituals and more importantly to support the Sisters in their transition.

Our Province Leadership Team supports the request of this new ministry of service beginning August until approximately October 2017. All previous requests for hospitality and airport pick-ups through June 1st. will be honored.

Coincidentally, the lease for the St. Joseph Worker Program house in Westchester was not going to be renewed by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange due to upcoming sale of that property. So, St. John Chrysostom Convent will transition from a House of Hospitality as of June 30 and become the home for our new group of St. Joseph Workers arriving in August. We thank the Spirit of creativity for the timing of this move. ❖

ALLELUIA!

## Remembering

Click image above to read about her life:



Sister Helene Wilson, CSJ

### Spring Faire May 6th & 7th Visitation Parish



#### Making Ready the Spring Faire 2017

From Charlotte Harris, sister-in-law of Sisters Colleen & Kathleen: "Using my hands to create unique items, such as 'Sewing Spools of Love and Memories Wreath' and 'Sweet Dreams Nightie and Rag Quilt to match' brings me joy in knowing my creations will benefit the wonderful works of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet at the Spring Faire." ❖

## CSJs in St. Louis Celebrate a Memorial Service

A memorial service for Sister Helene Wilson, CSJ was held this week in St. Louis. Sister Helene was selected in 1998 to the Los Angeles Congregational Leadership. Following her term in the CLT, she ministered in the St. Louis province for eighteen years where she served as the congregational treasurer and then bookkeeper at the congregational center. While in St. Louis, Sister Helene endeared herself to many Sisters and Associates who shared in both the joys of her life in St. Louis and the pain when her health began to decline. Those in St. Louis will miss her dearly and are sure that she is now the Jill of all Trades in the kingdom of our loving God. ❖

## CSJ Vocation Materials

The Vocation Office at Carondelet Center has some vocation materials that you may want to distribute at an event, have available in the church, send to a young friend, etc. We have two different folded pamphlets, a St. Joseph prayer card (in Spanish and in English), a small book mark. Soon we will have some pens and an 11 x 17 poster. If you would like any of these materials, please email Sister Darlene Kawulok or Sister Carol Brong (dkawulok@csjla.org or cbrong@csjla.org) with the amount you want, and they will put it together and send to you. Thank you for all the work (and prayers) you do for vocations. ❖

Rejoice

Alleluia!



## Celebrating St. Joseph's Day at St. Joseph High School



L/r: Sisters Mary Beatrice Kelly, Margaret Jude Corey, Veronica Brutosky, Anne Luis Lardizabal, Mary Sevilla, Marilyn Binder, Mary Agnes Nance, Mary Rose Boito and Janet Duffy

Several CSJs attended Mass with students, staff, parents and alums on St. Joseph's Day at St. Joseph High School (Lakewood, CA). Mass was followed by a luncheon which everyone enjoyed. ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Mary Sevilla, CSJ

## Easter Pay It Forward

The new expression, *pay it forward*, means to respond to a person's kindness to oneself by being kind to someone else. As we prepare to receive the blessings of Easter, we are deeply grateful to the Beltran Hernandez family for their generous gift of \$10,000 which is to be used to care for homeless children. The patriarch of the family was raised by our Sisters at the St. Joseph Orphanage in Tucson, AZ during the 1920-30s. "Following his time in the orphanage, he led a long and prosperous life," wrote his son in his letter. "It was his wish that upon his death a donation be made to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet as a token of his appreciation for the care, education and spiritual guidance he received while in your care."

St. Joseph Orphan Home, known also as St. Joseph Orphanage, was located in the original building that was once Mount St. Joseph Provincialate and Novitiate, and was turned into an orphanage at the request of Bishop Peter Bourgade. About 35 children were cared for each year. In 1901, a cyclone destroyed the adobe building so many of the students had to receive temporary care from private families. A new building was erected on 40 acres of desert land on the outskirts of the city. It opened on February 25, 1905. In 1938, the orphanage building was used as St. Joseph Opportunity School and then in 1941 as St. Joseph School (Home) for Boys. What a great and inspiring Easter *pay it forward!* ❖

## Easter Sunday

This is the DAY the Lord has made; let us be GLAD and rejoice in it! ALLELUIA!

What a strange day this must have been for all of the disciples, Mary of Magdala and the other women included.

Nothing is as expected. It is dark, morning hadn't arrived. Jesus is not in the tomb. Where is he? Who took him away? What does all of this mean? We came to finish the burial preparations.

Life is like this, so many surprises. Jesus calls us to LIFE, calls us beyond all the shocks and surprises, calls us to the GOOD NEWS—to Gospel living. Stay in touch, follow him and REJOICE for God HAS—with unimaginable LOVE—made this day for us. ❖

~ From an Easter pilgrim, Sister Carol L. Smith, CSJ

## For Sisters & Associates

**Click on button above for:**

- ❖ Thank you notes from jubilarians: Sisters Judeth Breslin, Mary Agnes Nance, Roseagnes Haskins, Ruth Anne Saunders, and CSJA, Genevieve Taylor
- ❖ A Note from Sister Mary Williams, CSJ