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## LGBT Center Thanks Us

**Sisters of St. Joseph of  
Carondelet  
February 10, 2017**

**Next issue February 17th**

**SAVE THE DATE**



### **Symposium on Chocolate**

Sunday, February 19th

St. Mark's Church

1:00-1:30 p.m. in Español

1:30-3:00 p.m. Everyone



**Renewal for All**

**March 5th**

**St Joseph Worker Parish**

3:30 - 5:00

[Check Web Province Calendar](#)

**for these and other dates  
and their flyers.**

## CSJs @ Religious Education Congress

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet will be well represented at the Religious Education Congress, February 23rd-27th. Please come by our booths #115 & 117 and bring a friend from your parish or ministry. You will find literature from the Vocation Office, Medaille House, St. Joseph Worker and Associate Programs and a list of a variety of our ministry sites giving people the opportunity to volunteer. Our hospitality room is at the Marriott Hotel. See you there! ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Deanine Medina, CSJ



*CSJs and LGBT Center staff during historic visit in November 2015*

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fter receiving a monetary donation from our Province, the Los Angeles LGBT Center's Director of Major Gifts, Jennifer Dawson, sent us a beautiful note thanking the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet for "renewing your support of the LGBT Center this year. We very much appreciate both your financial contribution and your prayers during this time of great uncertainty for our community. It brings us great comfort to know that you stand with us."

In 2015 a group of CSJs paid a historic visit to the center in what was the first visit ever of a religious group to the LGBT center, which is the largest provider of programs and services to LGBT individuals. Our Community stands "in solidarity with and supports lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons in our quest for inclusion and justice, knowing that Jesus welcomed everyone to the table respecting the dignity of every human person." Calls to Action p. 7 ❖

Love is patient, love is kind.  
Love does not delight in evil  
but rejoices with the truth.  
It always protects, always trusts, always hopes,  
always perseveres.  
Love never fails

~ Corinthians 13:4-8



## Calls to Action ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

### Volunteers Needed for Jubilee 2017

Volunteers, please contact the designated chairperson below. Please remember that we will need you to be there the entire time of service:

#### ❖ Saturday Shuttle Drivers

Sister Mina Gaskell, CSJ  
Shuttle chairperson

[mgaskell@csjla.org](mailto:mgaskell@csjla.org)

510.307.5446

#### ❖ Friday Happy Hour set up and serving-

Peggy Belcher-Dixon, CSJA

[p.beldixon@ca.rr.com](mailto:p.beldixon@ca.rr.com)

323.758.9122

Thank you,

Jubilee Committee

### Volunteers Needed March 25, 2017

Carondelet Center Jubilee Dinner  
CC Jubilarians will celebrate with  
family and friends at 5:00 p.m.

#### Volunteers to:

- Set up the dining room  
(*after lunch*)
  - Clean up (*during & after dinner*)
- Holy Family staff will be assisting with these tasks as well. Please contact Sister Sharon at [smninteman@csjla.org](mailto:smninteman@csjla.org) before Feb. 17th.

Chapter was a fine example of contemplative dialogue with respectful listening and open exchange. I pray that our elected delegates will carry with them the vibe that permeated Chapter. We do our best work when ALL voices are heard, particularly those with which we disagree. Take with you this thought of Sister Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ: "The future raises in us both hope and anxiety; it comes to us from the side of the unknown, and its uncertainty both draws and repels. But we go on into this unknown future—our hope is stronger than our anxiety—because God is faithful to his promise and will be there." ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Annette Debs, CSJ

## The Spirituality of Conscious Aging

Presenters: Sister Deborah Lorentz, SSS, and Lala Rukh Kahn

Date: March 4, 2017

Site: Mount St. Mary's University,

Doheny Downtown Campus, Donohue Building (located behind the chapel).  
10 Chester Place. Los Angeles, CA 90007

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 per participant

Phone: 213.477.2500

The Workshop will include:

- The intention to make positive life affirming changes
- New neural pathways through repetition of behavior
- Practices of Compassion and Self-Surrender

Participants are asked to bring their lunches and a cushion/pillow for more comfortable seating. Drinks will be provided. Please send the names of the Sisters from your community who are attending to Sister Madeleine. There are a few spaces available. If you have Sisters who would like to attend please contact Sister Madeleine with the names and the \$5.00 fee per person as soon as possible. ❖



## Walk with Wisdom

Walk with Wisdom is a six-part series offered by the St. Louis province that invites Sisters, Associates and partners in mission to engage in prayer, facilitated conversations and shared experiences that deepen their understanding of the CSJ charism and discover a gospel-centered way to proceed in one's discussion of justice issues. Each session of this curriculum-based program focuses on building right relationships through topics such as charism, worldview, stereotypes and conflict. It is intended that people gather in learning communities in groups of 6 to 10, and commit to experiencing the program as a whole. One or more group members may serve as facilitator from session to session. If you have questions or are interested in hard copy materials, contact Justice Coordinator Sister Mary Flick, CSJ at [mflick@csjstl.org](mailto:mflick@csjstl.org) or 314.678.0305.

Read an article by Jenny Beatrice, Director of Communications, St. Louis Province.

## Second Annual Interfaith Solidarity March 2017

**Strengthening Diversity, Plurality, Unity  
Sunday, April 2nd, 2017 - 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

As a symbol of our solidarity with our neighbors and colleagues, we invite you to march to several select houses of worship, representing the three Abrahamic faiths of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Together we will lead the way toward peace and unity among us all.

The theme of this march is that we reject all hatred and oppression in the name of religion and in light of the rise in politically motivated hate crimes, we support the most vulnerable of religious communities against Islamophobia, Anti-Semitism and any form of religious or ideological extremism.

Begin at Wilshire Boulevard Temple (3663 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles). Brief stops at St. Basil Roman Catholic Church, and Immanuel Presbyterian Church, and The Islamic Center of Southern California (434 S Vermont Ave, Los Angeles) ❖



## Invitation

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet are cordially invited to our annual President's Religious Education Congress Reception at the Hilton Anaheim Hotel, Pacific Ballroom A on Saturday, February 25, 2017 from 7:00-9:00 p.m., hosted by President Ann McElaney-Johnson. Please RSVP to Alanna Madrid at [amadrid@msmu.edu](mailto:amadrid@msmu.edu) or 213.477.2767 by February 10. Hope to see you there! ❖

## Remembering

**Please remember our Sisters who have recently died:**

Sister Sarah Ann Mitra, CSJ (SL) 2/8

## NEWS

**Find the following by clicking on the NEWS button above.**

- ❖ See Pope Francis' Monthly Video
- ❖ Pope Francis warns Christians against 'tyrannical idol' of money in Lenten message
- ❖ Walk with Wisdom flyer