



**Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet**  
**May 5th, 2017**

**Next issue May 12th**

**SAVE THE DATE**



**Spring Art Faire**

Tomorrow May 6th,  
1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
May 7th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Visitation Parish Hall



**Pax Christi**

Southern California  
Annual Conference

**ARTISANS OF PEACE**

Seeking a Nonviolent Response  
for the Common Good  
Saturday May 20, 2017  
12:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

MSMU Doheny Campus Auditorium  
Chester Place, Los Angeles, CA  
<http://www3.paxchristisocal.org/>

or

323.225.4461 x111

Flyer



**MSMU Poverty Simulation**

More than 30 MSMU students will participate in a poverty simulation so they may learn about the challenges faced by individuals and families living in poverty. Volunteers are needed to play the roles of "community resources" (bank, grocery, social services).

For more information, please contact [meyling@csjla.org](mailto:meyling@csjla.org)  
Thursday, May 25 from 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the Campus Center, first floor of Humanities Bldg. at Chalon Campus.

## CSJs Walk from Assisi to Rome



Last April 11th, Sisters Teresa Harpin and Theresa Lynch, CSJs went on a pilgrimage from the Basilica of San Francesco, Assisi to Rome, Italy. For thirteen days, they walked through every type of terrain on the Via Francigena of Francesco covering 150 miles.

"Our Pilgrimage was a walk in support of non-violence. While we walked, the inmates at the jail in Santa Ana walked laps in their cell blocks," said Sister Theresa Lynch, CSJ.

The Sisters followed the footsteps of St. Francis from his home in Assisi to the gates of the Vatican. They sealed the trip on April 26th by attending an audience with Pope Francis where they sat within a few feet from the Pontiff! Click here <https://cruxnow.com/vatican/2017/04/26/god-never-leaves-us-alone-pope-says-general-audience/> to read Pope Francis' sermon.

[Watch the slideshow with comments from Sister Teresa Harpin, CSJ](#) ❖  
~ Submitted by Sisters Teresa Harpin, CSJ and Theresa Lynch, CSJ





## Body, Mind, Spirit-

### The Health and Wellness Resource Office (HWRC)

#### Spring Cleaning Anyone?

Some of us "get the bug" in spring to clean things out! Others have been planning to clean things out and rid themselves of things that seem to propagate overnight!

Are you interested in learning how to get started when the task seems overwhelming? Clutter can be a real distraction that weighs us down! Do you have friends that moan about cleaning out things and never have the energy or motivation to get started?

I would like to see if there is a group of us that would like to help and support one another. Maybe it will be a few get-togethers to learn tips about de-cluttering. Maybe it will be an ongoing book club. Time, dates and locations will be set according to the needs of the group.

Please send an e-mail [mpetrone@csjla.org](mailto:mpetrone@csjla.org) by Friday, May 19, to express your interest. I will follow up with an e-mail. ❖

## CSJ Dancing for a Good Cause

Sister Theresa Harpin, CSJ of San Luis Obispo, CA will dance in a "Dancing with the Stars" type competition to raise funds for Restorative Partners, a program that offers healing and life skill programs to crime victims, offenders, their families and support to those working in custody.

"I would like to ask our Sisters, Associates and anyone who receives our e-designs to vote for me," says Sister Theresa. Votes cost \$25.00 each. Voters do not have to be present for the competition. "They just have to believe in me and join the fun. I have stiff competition dancing against the Sheriff, the District Attorney, Probation Officers, the Mayor of SLO, and a local author and founder of another non-profit. I need all the help I can get!!!"

Vote at <https://www.restorativepartners.org/dancer-details.php?id=9> and cast votes using PayPal or send check to:

Restorative Partners,

4251 S. Higuera St. Suite 102, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

**Attention:** Vote for Sister Theresa Harpin. Hurry the deadline is Sat., June 3, 2017! ❖

## For Sisters & Associates

#### Click on button above for:

- ❖ Thank you Notes from Sisters Elaine Coutu and Patricia Crother, CSJs
- ❖ Directory update Leadership in Peru

#### PRAYERS PLEASE



#### When Your Friends Need Prayer

The Sisters of St. Joseph created the website-prayersplease.com. Anybody may request prayers anonymously and free of charge. ❖



Sister Theresa Harpin, CSJ



# OLP 135th Anniversary Celebration San Diego, CA



In celebration of 135 years and, for a limited time, OLP will showcase beautiful exhibits of the CSJ Sisters as they journeyed across the nation to California. Join us to celebrate their amazing feat and to recognize 135 years of educating the next generation of women leaders and innovators. ❖

Birthday Celebration & Exhibit  
May 10, 2017  
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
OLP's Campus  
Cocktails & Appetizers



*Sister María Elena Cáceres, CSJ*



## Calls to Action ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

### As we enter this post-Extraordinary Congregational Chapter Time, may we:

- \* Recognize the importance of working for the good of the whole for the sake of the Mission.
- \* Read daily our Constitution's call to "trust in each one another's goodness."
- \* Trust processes that led to the recommendations of the Extraordinary Chapter and the work of the Spirit in them.
- \* Move forward in the mind-and heart-set of communal discernment-when we hold one opinion, imagine holding the opposite. Think to myself, "I could be wrong."
- \* Ask myself, "Is my motive a focus on Mission, or does it come from some other place in me?" ❖

*~ Submitted by Kieran Vaughan, CSJ*

## Congratulations

Sister María Elena Cáceres professed her final vows in Peru on April 29 at the church in Canto Chico. Maria Elena came to know our CSJ community in 1995 when the Sisters of St. Joseph were ministering in Yanaoca, Peru. When she finished high school in 2001, she went to Arequipa for a live-in experience with Sisters of St. Joseph (Sisters Theresa Kvale, Peggy Murphy and Zaida Perez.) Maria Elena entered our CSJ Community a few years later.

Sister María Elena's family travelled great distances to be with her for the profession of her final vows—from the regions of Cusco and Arequipa. Her father, three brothers, two sisters and two of her nieces joined in the celebration. We were blessed to come to know one another in the sharing of this special occasion.

Maria Elena lives in local community with Sisters Yolanda Arribasplata, Anne Davis and Mary Luz Salazar. Currently Sister Elena ministers as a high school religion teacher in two public schools near where she lives in Canto Chico.

It is with deep joy that we celebrate Maria Elena's profession of final vows as a Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet!

Submitted by Sister Anne Davis, CSJ ❖