

**Sisters of St. Joseph of
Carondelet
November 22, 2017**

Next issue Dec. 1st

SAVE THE DATE



**Mount Chorus & Singers
Carol Concert**

Friday, December 1, 7:30 p.m.
Mary Chapel, Chalon
Celebratory works of the season
women's chorus and guest
musicians

Tickets sold at door
FREE for MSMU Students,
Faculty, Staff
\$10 General Admission
\$5 Seniors

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**Advent Reconciliation
Service**

Saturday, December 9th
10:00 a.m.
CC Chapel

Followed by social and
refreshments



**A Taste of the Holydays and
Candlelight Procession**

Thursday, December 7th
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.
Academy of Our Lady of Peace
RSVP at aolp.org

Giving Thanks

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lthough celebrating with a turkey dinner may be an expression of thankfulness, taking this feast for granted may not. David Steindl-Rast, in his book "Gratefulness," remarks, "That you have not yet died is not sufficient proof that you're alive." He goes on to say that aliveness depends on awareness, which is the beginning of gratefulness.

To awaken to the surprise of the gift of reality, of the world, is a start. We can find it difficult to receive gifts, wanting to be in control and independent. Receiving a gift implies a bond between us by which we belong to each other. Awareness requires a transformation of consciousness, away from the crippling demands of narcissism and the frenzied drivenness of accomplishment and control.

Awareness enables us to relax, to trust in life, which has been unconditionally given to us through the mercy of God. Joy is the unmistakable sign of a grateful life, contemplatively in touch with the deep Source within us in which we all dwell. ❖

~ Written By Sister Mona Castelazo, CSJ

[View Thanksgiving slideshow](#)

#GIVINGTUESDAY™

We hope that you will consider joining us on Nov. 28th for national online giving day. <http://csjla.org/giving-tuesday/>

As we prepare to give our best to our loved ones this Christmas, we invite you to remember those who lost everything during the most devastating natural disasters in our country's history. ❖

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**LMU's Gala
Christmas Concerts**

Two performances:
Thursday, Dec. 7th and
Saturday, Dec. 9th
at 8:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Chapel
Tickets are available at the
door for \$15 and \$20
Tickets: cfa.lmu.edu/tickets

For

Sisters & Associates

Click on button above for:

- ❖ Directory updates
- ❖ Thank you note from Sister Joann Heinritz, CSJ



Click image to see what is happening on our province facebook pages or [click here](#) to see it on our website's home page; no password needed here to see it. ❖



Holy Family Community



Sisters of Holy Family Community together with staff members from Carondelet Center recently visited the St. Joseph Center to help prepare for a fundraiser for the Bread and Roses Café.



Fourteen residents from the CalVet Home joined the Sisters for their Friday Neighborhood gathering. They enjoyed a presentation by Shannon Green of MSMU on the newly opened Charism Institute and enjoyed a delicious homemade lunch provided by the activities staff. They look forward to coming back for the Chaminade Christmas Concert. ❖



Autumn remembers

Remembering

Please remember our Sisters and Associates who have recently died:

1/12/15 Doris Emerling, CSJA

10/1 Jean Petlin, CSJA

11/18 Patricia Coffman, CSJA

Please remember our friends and relatives who have recently died:

● 11/21 the Aunt of Warren Small, CSJA

● 11/15 Larry Hellwig, brother in law of Sister Rosalie Callen, CSJ



Happy Thanksgiving!

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IF

the only prayer

you ever say in your whole life is

THANK YOU

that would suffice!

~ Meister Eckhart

Know of our gratitude for you –
our contributors, readers, collaborators and
proofreaders.

Sign us Grateful!

Communications and Development Department

CC Mailroom

In preparation for a surge of letters and packages during the Christmas Season, please be aware that there will be no international mailing from Carondelet Center after Dec. 15th. Please plan accordingly and contact Cameron@csjla.org for questions or additional information. ❖