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Carondelet  
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**Congregational Chapter 2019  
Called Together for the  
Life of the World  
July 14-28, 2019  
St. Louis, MO**

I will give you  
**a New Heart**  
and place  
**a New Spirit**  
within you,  
taking from your bodies  
your stony hearts  
and giving you  
**Natural Hearts.**

~ Ezekiel 36: 23-28



### **The U.S. Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph Echoes the Leadership Conference of Women Religious' Statement on Sexual Abuse by Clergy and Calls Church Leadership to Action**

The US Federation of the Sisters of St Joseph aligns with the [Leadership Conference of Women Religious](#) in expressing outrage about the sexual abuse by clergy and the subsequent cover-up by the hierarchy of the Church. We too are left angry and grieving for the thousands of victims of this deplorable situation.

We echo LCWR's call to action and insist that church leadership immediately find ways to support all victims, hold abusers accountable, and elevate the voice of victims to deconstruct the culture of abuse that allowed such atrocities to occur.

For too long, the secrets kept by the hierarchy have excluded female voices from taking a critical look at the important issues of our Church and from playing a key role in formulating, implementing, and evaluating policies. Women and women religious represent a reconciling force within our divided and grieving church. They have a critical role to play in helping the church and should be sought after by leadership.

Since the 1980s women religious have taken this issue very seriously and have responded by creating policies and procedures to address allegations of all forms of abuse and have thoroughly implemented those policies legally and pastorally.

The US Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph embraces the Gospel charism of unifying love for the healing and transformation of the world. We do this through compassionate listening and amplifying the truths that need to be heard. We will continue to work for unity and healing for the survivors, their families, and our Church. We welcome the opportunity to work with our brothers and sisters – lay and religious – to dismantle the culture of abuse within the Church and society.

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The U.S. Federation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph is a dynamic union of all the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the United States who claim a common origin in the foundation at LePuy, France in 1650. Today there are approximately 4,203 vowed members as well as 3,032 associates and 25 agrégées in the United States. Worldwide there are over 10,749 Sisters of Saint Joseph and 4,399 associates in over 50 countries.

*Note: Kristen Whitney Daniels is a graduate of Los Angeles St. Joseph Worker program.*

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## Intra-Congregation Called Together Gatherings for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet

Please join us in praying that we will all receive the grace to embrace what the Chapter theme proclaims, that we are "Called Together for the Life of the World." ❖

St. Louis- August 25-27

Peru- August 29-31

~ Submitted by the Congregation Leadership Team



### Casa de los Ninos, Tucson, Arizona

#### Sister Mary Kathleen Clark, RN, CSJ (RIP)

Casa de los Ninos in Tucson is a center founded in 1973 by Sister Kathleen, to respond to the needs of children in crisis by providing a safe haven in time of need.

This non-profit center cares for abused or neglected children as well as those who have been removed from their homes because of family strife.

In its first year, 400 babies ages 1-3 were cared for. It was the first crisis center of its kind in the nation and became a teaching tool and model for the prevention of child abuse.

Emphasis is placed on a non-judgmental human concern for both child and parent. Sister Kathleen once said, "You never get depressed as long as you know you're changing the environment of the child." ❖

~ Submitted by Sister Diane Smith, CSJ

## Calls to Action



Anastasia Taylor-Lind, photographer

Empathy is the ability to step into the shoes of another person, aiming to understand their feelings and perspective, and to use that understanding to guide our actions... "in addressing issues that demean or deny people their human dignity." ❖

~ Partnering with New Eyes, submitted by Sister Toni Nash, CSJ

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## From Boston to Biola to Fontbonne



Yes, our new group of St. Joseph Workers (SJWs) arrived on August 11th! The next day we had lunch with Holy Family Community and residents of CC where they thanked the Sisters for their supportive prayers and generous Welcome Bags! Just three days later they found themselves on retreat at Lake Gregory opening many letters of welcome. Their reflective comments speak for themselves: "I felt so much love in every bit of their cards." "It is powerful to see how small the world is when you choose to engage and love people that well." "It is humbling because I don't feel that significant." "There was something that brought me to this program and something around me when I was reading those cards—that was love—so much connection!"

May the circle of unifying love continue as Casey, Natalie, Maddie, Laura and Sarah begin their year of service with *the dear neighbor*. ❖

SJW Program

~ Submitted by Sister Judy Molosky, CSJ, Director of



## Hawaii Calls Opportunity

Our 2018 Hawaii Calls Opportunity drawing is a great chance to support the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and their ministries while winning a chance for a vacation of a lifetime in Maui. The first prize includes airfare and hotel accommodations for two in Lahaina, HI plus \$300 credit at selected resort restaurants and two complementary \$108 value/person luau tickets!! Second prize is \$1,000 and third prize, \$500.

May the warmth of summer bring joy, hope and peace to you and your family. ❖

~ Submitted by Meyling Eliash-Daneshfar, Director of Communications and Development

## For Sisters & Associates

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