

ASSOCIATE CONNECTIONS

Spring 2024

As I continue on my Lenten journey I find it easy to be distracted by the “stuff” of daily living. Even though I begin each morning with a Henri Nouwen meditation it does not take me long to be swept away into the deluge of life. If you have a handle on staying focused on the Lenten, or any daily spiritual journey, I would appreciate the advice.

This newsletter is filled with information pertaining to the upcoming Assembly and 50th Anniversary of the Beatification of Mother Frances. It has been a whirlwind of activities and planning at St. Clare and in the Associate Office. We are still holding our monthly Wisdom Wednesdays and Book Discussions. You will see in the Upcoming Events that the next three months of Book Discussion will be viewing movies of C.S. Lewis and his writings. Several months ago we watched the Steven Spielberg movie, *The BFG*, based on the book by Roald Dahl. The movie was funny and poignant at the same time.

Mary Younce is the new administrative assistant for the Associate Office. Mary came at a time of heightened activity both in the Office and at the Peddler. She jumped right into the fray and is doing a masterful job of helping me be organized and accomplishing our many tasks. I know you will welcome her warmly.

Enjoy a grand and glorious Easter and Spring!
Barb SchwabKlaco sfp -a



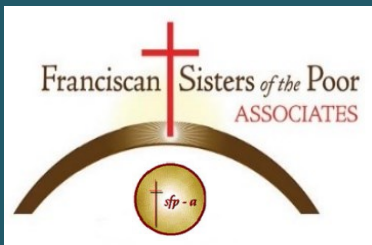
Sisters making
Easter eggs.

Greeting fellow Associates!

Many of you are missing out on a fun event with the Sisters—the monthly Birthday Celebration. The celebration is the second Tuesday of each month and begins at 5:00pm in the convent Dining Room. It starts with a blessing of the food followed by a delicious meal. Of course, there’s cake and ice cream and a boisterous singing of “Happy Birthday”. Jo reads a list of all of the important events that took place in the year of those having a birthday. It’s an hour of a lot of laughs, conversation and enjoyment. When the monthly celebration started, I thought we were only invited on our birthday. Luckily, I found out that we are invited every month. The Sisters are always happy to have Associates in attendance, sharing the evening at their table. The timing might be difficult for some of you, but it’s definitely worth the effort to attend. Next month, let's see if we can fill the whole dining room with Sisters and Associates!

Jan Bauer sfp-a

Hello! I am Mary Younce and am very grateful to be working in the Associates office and the Peddler Thrift Store. My husband, Matt, and I currently live in Fairfield, Ohio and have six adult children and one grandson, Declan. I enjoy learning piano, reading and spending time with family and friends. And I am looking forward to getting into the garden soon! I would like to say THANK YOU to everyone for the kind welcome I received!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

March

- 12- sfp Birthday Celebration
5:00PM - Dining Room
- 13 - Wisdom Wednesday
Presenter: CJ Willie SC
“Webb Telescope & Our Awesome God”
6:30PM - 8:00PM
Schervier Hall and Zoom
- 31 - Easter

April

- 9- sfp Birthday Celebration
5:00PM - Dining Room
- 10 - Wisdom Wednesday
“Mother Frances”
6:30PM - 8:00PM
Schervier Hall and Zoom
- 12 - Wisdom Circle Retreat
6:30pm –8:00pm
Schervier Hall and Zoom
- 13 - Assembly 9:00am
Dinner 12:00pm
Associates Meeting 1:30pm
Lay Franciscan Women 2:30pm
Supper & Game Night 5:30pm
- 14 - Coffee and Conversation
After 10:00AM Mass Peace Center Lobby
Dinner 12:00pm (RSVP)
Father Frank Jasper Presentation 1:30pm
- 22- Earth Day
What will you do for God’s creation?
- 24— Movie & Discussion
6:30PM - 8:00 PM
The Most Reluctant Convert, C.S. Lewis
- 25 - Volunteer Appreciation Week
50 % off Peddler Sale 7:00am—5:00pm
For Sisters, Associates, Volunteers, Staff
- 28 - 50th Anniversary of the Beatification of Mother Frances
Liturgy 10:00am Brunch 11:00am

May

- 4 - Kentucky Derby Party
5:00pm
Peace Center



Sisters preparing to travel in 1974 to the Beatification.

May (cont.)

- 8 - Wisdom Wednesday
Presenters: Dorothy Stang, Judi Clemens SNDdeN
6:30PM - 8:00PM
Schervier Hall and Zoom
- 14 - sfp Birthday Celebration
5:00PM - Dining Room
- 15 - Movie & Discussion
Chronicles of Narnia Part 1
6:30pm-8:30pm
- 25 - Card Making
10:00am –12:00pm
Peace Center Lobby

June

- 11 - sfp Birthday Party
5:00pm Dining Room
- 12 - Wisdom Wednesday
Presenter: CJ Willie SC
“Justice Issues of Climate Change”
6:30PM - 8:00PM
Schervier Hall and Zoom
- 18 - Potluck Picnic & Movie Discussion
Chronicles of Narnia Part 2
6:30pm-8:30pm

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