



# MISSIONARY SISTERS

*of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

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# CONNECTIONS

Fall 2018 Newsletter

## Celebrating 90 Years of Mission

St. John the Baptist Parish in Allentown has been part of our MSC Family since 1924 when our Sisters agreed to teach grades 1-8 at their newly-built school. Three hundred-thirty students enrolled that first year and in 1975 St. John's merged with Immaculate Conception to form Holy Spirit where MSC Sisters continued to teach with the Sisters of St. Joseph and several lay people.

In addition to teaching, MSC Sisters prepared the children and adults of St. John's Parish for the sacraments and ministered as church sacristans, organists and choir directors. For the past 35 years, MSC Sisters have visited the sick and elderly in the parish to bring them Holy Communion and to be a comforting presence.



As early as 1924, MSC Sisters such as Sr. Constance were teaching the art of sentence diagramming at St. John the Baptist School in Allentown, PA.

Through the years, the convent at St. John's also served as home for several MSC Sisters who resided there while engaged in ministries at nearby locations such as Sacred Heart Hospital, Allentown Central Catholic High School, and the Catholic Social Agency. MSC Sisters are grateful to the pastors for welcoming our Sisters and to the parishioners of St. John's Parish for sharing our mission to be the Heart of God for others throughout our near century of ministry among them. We ask that God bless and keep the wonderful people of St. John's and that our relationships with each other continue to grow despite our

separation. You are always welcome in our home at Sacred Heart Villa in Reading. †

## Mission Cooperative Plan

### *What does your contribution do?*

Each year in parishes across the country Catholics welcome to one of our weekend Masses a missionary who speaks on behalf of their organizations which minister internationally. These visiting speakers come to us as a result of the Church's Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP). The goal of the MCP is to spread the news about the inspirational work being done by the Church to assist the poor throughout the world and to invite Catholics to participate through prayer and stewardship. Many parishioners reach into their pockets to support this work each year and MSC Sisters would like to provide an example of the good things these donations have helped our MSC Sisters accomplish.

In case you are unaware, dioceses require that all MCP donations be restricted to international causes. The MSC Sisters are very conscious of this mandate and have been joyfully supporting various international needs for many years with this MCP money.

The most recent example of such support occurred earlier this year in India where MSC Sisters have been expanding their ministries. In this case, Sr. Barbara Winkler, General Superior of all MSC Sisters, explains the project's origin and import: "A large parish and shrine to the Holy Infant and a large parish school of 2,000 students have been built up around our convent over the years so there is lots of activity going on in this area. For example, today there are eleven Masses being celebrated in nine languages in the parish. The Sisters decided to build a Home for the Elderly on a plot of land which the congregation owns adjacent to our convent. This ministry which will house 60 residents is necessary because the younger people in families have begun working all day and cannot be with their parents. Also some young people are moving away to other countries

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# Why the Name Changes?

Recently one of our friends asked us to print the current and prior names of our MSC Sisters so that she could identify her former teachers. We thought this was a great idea which may be helpful to many. For the backstory, prior to Vatican II in 1962, religious women took on new names to signify their commitment to God's special calling much like those in the Old Testament, for example Saul who became Paul. When Vatican II declared that the vocation calling is actually a continuation of the Baptismal commitment, religious women such as the MSC Sisters were able to decide for themselves whether to return to their given names or to keep their religious names.

What follows is the list of remaining MSC Sisters who chose to reclaim their given names:

Sr. Anne Kane	was Sr. Lucette
Sr. M. Barbara Daniels	was Sr. Marie Michael
Sr. Barbara Winkler	was Sr. Marie Charles
Sr. Catherine Cellini	was Sr. M. Floretta
Sr. Cathernine Crilly	was Sr. M. Theresine
Sr. Christine Kotwicki	was Sr. Marie Vincent
Sr. Dorothy Columber	was Sr. M. Josita
Sr. Dorothy Fabritze	was Sr. Marie Dominic
Sr. M. Edna Averbek	was Sr. Eadburgis
Sr. Marie Janesch	was Sr. M. Cecilia
Sr. Mary Anne Bigos	was Sr. M. Philip
Sr. Mary Seibert	was Sr. Genevieve
Sr. Mary Ann Lawrence	was Sr. M. Joesetta
Sr. Maureen Carroll	was Sr. M. Mark
Sr. Rosemarie Sommers	was Sr. M. Karen
Sr. Sylvia Mattoon	was Sr. M. Louis
Sr. Theresa Lepera	was Sr. M. Thomasita
Sr. Theresa Molchanow	was Sr. M. Marlene
Sr. Virginia Marie Chnapko	was Sr. Sr. Carolyn
Sr. Virginia Longcope	was Sr. Mary Harding



Deborah Sanders (center) the Finance Director for the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is celebrating her twentieth year as an MSC employee. Sisters Deborah Reho, Barbara Daniels, Lorraine Molchanow and Rosemarie Sommers congratulate Deborah on behalf of all the MSC Sisters for her dedication and service. †

## Mission Update

with Sr. Bonita Heydt, MSC



Several months ago I received the invitation to extend my ministry as Nurse Practitioner with Penn State Health St. Joseph to the mushroom growers' plants in Temple, Pennsylvania. The hospital sends a health care van to several plants on a daily basis for follow up care and regular health care appointments. The workers at Giorgio's and the

other mushroom plants have excellent health care insurance and the hospital uses the van as an effective way to enable the employees to take advantage of this great benefit. I refer to the driver Armando and myself as the "**Mushroom Missionaries**" because we maintain a joyful ministry of presence among a culturally diverse population. I greatly appreciate and enjoy this new opportunity to share my medical expertise and my MSC mission of compassionate care with others. God is good! †

Find more mission stories at [www.mscreading.org](http://www.mscreading.org)

## BE IMPACTFUL!

### Consider Membership in our Monthly Giving Program

- Your tax deductible gift arrives automatically each month and is recorded on your monthly statement
- Your monthly commitment serves as an impactful stream of guaranteed income for our MSC Sisters
- Your gift benefits every MSC Sister and every person served by an MSC Sister
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## Sacred Heart Tree of Life

Memorialize and Honor Loved Ones outside the chapel of the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus by inscribing a tribute in return for your donation.

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MSC Sisters lovingly welcomed the following memorial names to our MSC Sisters' Sacred Heart Tree of Life in our chapel lobby in 2018:

*In loving memory of our Mom Mary "Betty" Kosak by The Kosak Family*

*In loving memory of Wm. Tulsa Peter Herflicker by Rose Kubovcsak*



# You're Invited!

## MSC Sisters Celebration

Join MSC Sisters, Family and Friends  
for Oktoberfest in April on  
Sunday, April 28, 2019 from 2:00-6:00 PM  
at the Crowne Plaza Reading

Optional Polka Mass at 1:00 PM  
also at the Reading Crowne

### Celebrate with Us!

Your \$65 reservation benefits the mission and lives of the MSC Sisters and includes a cocktail hour, plated German dinner, music and dancing with the Josef Kroboth Band, awards for the best male and female Bavarian outfit, the announcement of our \$10,000 raffle prize winner, and memories to last a lifetime!

### YOU CAN BE PART OF THE FUN!

Dance, sing, eat, laugh...

**Oktoberfest in April**

will bring together more than 300 MSC Sisters, clergy, former students, colleagues, family, friends, vendors and supporters to celebrate the MSC mission.

Consider participating in any way you can.

### BECOME AN EVENT SPONSOR

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### HONOR A SISTER WITH YOUR RESERVATION OR DONATION

When making your reservation or sending a gift, simply include the name of the Sister(s) whom you wish to honor or remember and your thoughtful support will be recognized at the event on our video screen.

# FiresideChat

## Update



MSC Sisters and guests discuss the film "God is the Bigger Elvis" at the March 2018 Fireside Chat.

The months of March, May and November this year were marked by three very different Fireside Chats. The first, which celebrated National Catholic Sisters Week, centered around a movie titled "God is the Bigger Elvis", a

documentary about the life of Mother Dolores Hart, an actress who left Hollywood where she starred alongside actors such as Elvis Presley to become a Benedictine nun. After viewing the 35 minute movie, Sisters and guests gathered in small groups to discuss their thoughts regarding Dolores's decision and its relevance to God's plan for us in our own lives.

The May Fireside Chat changed focus completely as guests and Sisters came together to stretch their artist abilities through the latest fad of rock painting. Following the lead of Berks County Rocks and consistent Chat attendee Denice DeAntonio, we painted rocks which we then left in various places around Berks County in order to brighten the day of each rock's finder. This Chat was lots of fun and reminded us that we can each find little ways to brighten someone else's day wherever we are.



A sampling of the rocks created by Sisters and guests at the May 2018 Fireside Chat.

November's Fireside Chat welcomed the Advent Season. Sr. Lisa Valentini spoke about the symbolic significance of the Advent Wreath and shared personal stories before the group began making their own Advent Wreaths. This Chat was



Fireside Chat guests enjoy conversation and creativity while painting rocks they would then place around Berks County.

such a beautiful celebration of the Christmas Season to come that we hope to make this a yearly event.

The final Chat for 2018 will be our Advent Agape & Tea on December 5th at 6:00 PM at Sacred Heart Villa. If you are in the area, please do join us. †



# Sharing the Heart Series

## TRUST – A Gift of the Spirit

### Reflections with Sr. Theresa Molchanow, MSC

For many years now I have been a “student” of the virtue of TRUST. My classroom has been my life and ministry in Mexico City, MEXICO and my instructor has been the Spirit of God at work.

Observing, listening to and engaging with the elderly homeless, the tearful, the dying, the struggling single parent, youth in crisis, the provider who cannot make ends meet, and the curious child, I have been taught and changed.

I introduce you to Donald. I saw Donald approaching about a half block away. We were both going from X to Y to Z in opposite directions in the middle of a neighborhood street. Donald wore thick-rimmed glasses and a huge smile and was pushing a heavy cart, two barrels-full of garbage. We greeted each other and he added, “Isn’t it a beautiful day!” A dark place within me thought, “What’s beautiful about garbage?” But then I really listened and that’s when Donald’s Spirit spoke to my Spirit. I learned that the only way one can live one day at a time amidst almost impossible odds is to possess a trust in God based on faith in God.

Next, I ask you to meet Amalia, a young mother of 34 who lay dying with terminal cancer in a shared, second-floor bedroom.



Her two daughters were 2 and 5 years old. She was blessed by an attentive family of modest means and the opportunities to bless her common law union, to celebrate the sacraments of the living and to see her youngest child baptized. Amalia’s loving family, trusting in God, helped her slip peacefully through death into life-eternal. I experienced, then, that God had indeed kept his first covenant with Amalia.

In Mexico, a nation raw with corruption and a rich and distinctly different culture and language, we MSC Sisters have been the target of deception from time to time. I understand personally about being deceived. For me, deception, or having one’s trust in another fractured or abused, is one of the worst experiences a person can have. Even Jesus experienced deception. As such, He teaches us

that trust must be offered to the “brother whom we see” as a way of trusting in God. **I have learned that I cannot expect everyone, especially the poorest who struggle against odds to survive, to hold a value which works for me.** At these times of disappointment and deception, my prayer is: “God, this really hurts! My God, bless her/him/them and change me! Fix what is broken, Lord! It’s all too complex for me. I know that you will provide what everyone of us needs. Your will be done!” Perhaps this prayer can be of use to all who struggle with trusting God and others. †

## Mixing It Up

In collaboration with the Northeast Berks Chamber of Commerce, the MSC Sisters welcomed friends old and new for an early evening mixer on October 10. Many guests spoke with Sisters for the first time ever or for the first time in many years. Following the event one guest commented, “I love how sweet and funny she [Sr. Annuntia] is!” while another remarked, “Not at all what I expected. I am glad I came!”

Our first MSC Mixer turned out to be the perfect example of reaching out to people who are different from ourselves to discover what we have in common. The MSC Sisters thoroughly enjoyed themselves and hope to welcome more people to mix in the months to come. Please join us! †



# Donor Tributes

As our benefactor, YOU enable the wonderful stories shared in this newsletter to happen; YOU are the key to the MSC Sisters accomplishing our mission to be the Heart of Christ for others. Please continue your generous relationship with us so that we may continue to positively impact peoples' lives with the love of Christ.



Deceased Sisters Eileen Kantz and Rose Lechner in Nazareth at Holy Family Parish in 2009

Thank you, Sisters, for teaching us at Holy Family in Nazareth and St. John the Baptist in Allentown. I pray for increased vocations daily. Thank you so very much.

– Sincerely, Bernadette



Sr. Hilda and her class at St. Michael's School in Lansford, Pennsylvania.



Doug and Helen Didyoung accepted the MSC Sisters' Mission Partner Award in 2016.

We can think of no other better group to support for the work they do and the kindness and cooperation they have shown over the years we have known them.

– Blessings,  
Doug and Helen

I wish to help the Sisters who taught me at St. Michael's School in Lansford, PA. Thank you, Sisters, for my superior education. Keep me in your prayers as I will pray for the MSC Community.

– Love and Best always, Billy

## Reaching the Poor and Marginalized Through Mission

Sr. Lisa Valentini, MSC has been a contributing member of the United States Catholic Mission Association for several years. The USCMA supports the activities and efforts of US-based home and international missionary groups by providing opportunities for these groups to gather, share, and learn from



Sr. Lisa Valentini, MSC speaks with thousands of people each year about the work of MSC Sisters across the globe and her personal experiences as a missionary.

one another. USCMA strives to be a catalyst for fresh insights, broad involvement, creative approaches, and alternative structures, methods, and techniques for promoting mission. As such, USCMA has been invaluable to the mission work of all MSC Sisters, both in the United States and abroad.

At the recent October 25 gathering of the USCMA in Boston, Sr. Lisa Valentini was thrilled to be selected as the conference's opening keynote speaker. At this conference, which was titled "A Culture of Encounter", Sr. Lisa reflected on the many ways we encounter Christ in others, especially the poor and excluded. **Congratulations to Sr. Lisa and to USCMA for work well done in the name of Christ!** †

## Province Anniversary Celebrations

We would like to acknowledge and congratulate our MSC Provinces who have celebrated significant events in 2017 and 2018:

In 2017, the province of **Namibia celebrated 90 years of MSC Sisters' presence** in the country and the 50th anniversary of the Novitiate.

During 2018, **Peru celebrates 80 years** of our MSC Sisters' presence in the country and **Papua New Guinea celebrated the 50th anniversary** of their novitiate in July 2018.

Congratulations to our **Australian Province** as they commemorate **90 years** of presence.

We look forward to celebrating many more years of mission among our MSC Provinces as we follow our Founders' dream to reach all people everywhere with the love of the Heart of Christ! †



Congratulations to our Namibian MSC Sisters who recently celebrated 90 years of ministry.

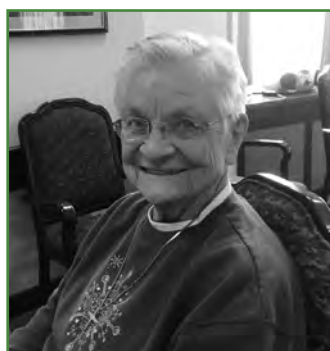


# \$10,000 PRIZE

Did you know that for two years we have been running a \$10,000 prize raffle drawing? Relatively new, this \$100 per ticket opportunity to win \$10,000 may arrive in your mailbox in late January or early February of 2019. **Because 2019 marks our third year running this raffle successfully, we will expand our mailing efforts so that more people have the option to vie for a 1 in 500 chance of winning \$10,000!** If you want to be sure you receive this mailing so that you can mail your ticket in time to be among the first 500 tickets sold, be sure to send an email to [CWhhitmoyer@MSCreading.org](mailto:CWhhitmoyer@MSCreading.org) as soon as possible or call 610-929-2802 to leave your name and address. **YOU could be the winner, but you must PLAY to WIN!** †

## The Joy of Sound

During the summer months our Mission Advancement Office sent appeals to many of you—our mission partners—to ask for assistance purchasing hearing aids for several of our MSC Sisters. We gratefully acknowledge and appreciate your gifts—totaling \$11,905! THANK YOU:



Recent hearing aid recipient Sr. Mary Seibert is all smiles since she can enjoy conversation during meals with her fellow Sisters. Thank you, donors!

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## Mission Cooperative *continued from page 1*

for better employment and education opportunities, and if there are not many children in the family, it is very difficult for the elderly. We began the building quickly because there was the possibility that we would have had to give it over to the church or government since there is much development going on in Bangalore."

Acting in our capacity as an international congregation, MSC Sisters of one province often request funding assistance from Sisters of other provinces. Earlier this year our Sisters in India, therefore requested the U. S. Province's support in their efforts to provide an elevator and kitchen and dining hall equipment and furnishings for their Home for the Elderly. Because of our parishioners' responses to the Mission Cooperative Plan initiative, U. S. Province Sisters were able to say "Yes" to this request for a \$51,407.32 grant.

In August of this year, MSC Sisters in India again contacted us for additional assistance with the building portion of their Home for the Elderly when they realized they would need to finish all phases before the end of this year so that residents could occupy the home thereby avoiding the real possibility that the government could take over the land if unoccupied. Although our Sisters in India have been able to cover 86% of the total amount from their own resources, they were in need of \$50,000 more from the U. S. Province, 3.06% of the total project. Again, MCP donations made it possible for MSC Sisters



Sr. Barbara Winkler, a member of the MSC U. S. Province, is General Superior for the International Congregations of the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.



The building of the new Home for the Elderly in Bangalore, India continues over the right shoulder of Sr. Ancy, Indian District Superior for the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

to help drastically underserved people. Through your generosity, drastically underserved people will be helped. The elderly will occupy their new home before January 1, 2019.

This concrete example of donor dollars in action should make you feel good about the changes you affect for people throughout the world each time you donate through the MCP. Thank you for responding so generously when missionaries visit your parish—especially our MSC Sisters! Together we will continue to provide hope where there is none and love where it is most needed, just as our MSC mission demands. †

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# The Gift of Stamina

Life often challenges us by testing our stamina—one's ability to sustain prolonged physical or mental effort often is the key to success. Each September sponsors, volunteers, and participants respond with tenacity and humor to an annual test of stamina known as the Nun Run. Held this year on September 15 at Sacred Heart Villa in Reading, Nun Run 2018 provided many opportunities for success. For some, the challenge involved finishing the one mile walk despite disabilities such as blindness, handicap, and sickness. For others, this test of stamina included running a 5k course with multiple hills—a course which many of our participants have run all nine times. Still for others, their response was to provide generous sponsorships and contributions on behalf of runners, walkers and MSC Sisters.



The people who make the Nun Run happen sustain not only the event itself but also relationships among one another and with our Sisters. And each year, these people happily welcome newcomers to the fold.

Committee members spend time preparing everything from sponsorship lists to baskets and swag bags. Consistent Gold sponsors Gethsemane Cemetery/St. Paul's Parish and Berks Western Telecom and Silver Sponsors including Crossroads Technologies, Watkins Architect, Nave Newell, Assist 2 Sell, Bell Ace Hardware-Trexlerstown and numerous individuals assure that our event raises money for our Sisters' mission and lives. Our 2018 event cleared more than \$28,000!

Each year participants look forward to their return in September to catch up with the Sisters they love and with



each other. And each year we MSC Sisters are somehow surprised by someone or something. For example, at our 2018 event, we celebrated the stamina and creativity of our friend Mikala who found an alternative way to participate as a very young sponsor. She set up a table filled with her own homemade sea glass art and donated all her proceeds—more than \$150—to the MSC Sisters! For years Mikala has been walking, running and helping wherever she could. She certainly persevered to arrive upon a new way of making a positive impact! We thank you, Mikala, for your tenacity and generosity of heart.

Another thank you goes out to those who brought along their gently used shoes on behalf of Soles 4 Souls. We collected 162 pair of shoes to be used in various ways to support people in need! Thanks also to those who join us each year in some way and to those who continue to join us anew!



NUN RUN 2019 will take place September 21, 2019. Mark your calendars! †



## Thank you to everyone who participated in our 8th Annual NUN RUN 5k and Fun Walk!

Because of your generosity, we have cleared more than \$28,000 which will be used to supplement our Sisters' mission and retirement costs. Whether as a sponsor, participant or volunteer, YOU have made a difference for not only our Sisters, but also for the people to whom they minister. YOU are impactful and we appreciate you!

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**Many THANKS also to those who sent DONATIONS and participated as VIRTUAL RUNNERS!**

## How can YOU play a vital role in the MSC mission?

- Pray for the MSC Sisters and all whom we serve.
  - Become a Lay MSC Associate.
  - Join our monthly giving club.
- Remember our Sisters in your estate planning
  - Honor a loved one on our Tree of Life.
- Attend and/or volunteer at our events, on our committees or on our Development Advisory Board.

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## Looking for a way to live your spirituality among friends?

### Become an MSC Lay Associate.

Men and women of all walks of life are invited to share in the spirit, charism, and mission of the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Join the Sisters in bringing the compassionate love of Christ to all people by living out gospel values in your own life.

Contact Sr. Lorraine Molchanow, MSC at 610-372-1753 or [lorrainemsc@aol.com](mailto:lorrainemsc@aol.com), or visit [www.mscreading.org](http://www.mscreading.org).



Lay MSC Associates Trish Sommers, Eileen Mincarelli and Rosemarie Witt enjoy the company of Sr. Marie Janesch, MSC.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 2018

- Dec. 5** **Advent Agape & Tea** with the MSC Sisters — 6:30 PM at Sacred Heart Villa. All are welcome! RSVP to [MissionAdvancement@mscreading.org](mailto:MissionAdvancement@mscreading.org).
- Dec. 25** Our Sisters welcome you to join them for Christmas Mass; call ahead for the Mass schedule at 610-929-5751.

### 2019

- January** **Heart of Mission \$10,000 Raffle** Be one of 500 people to vie for \$10,000! \$100 per ticket for these terrific odds! Mailing in January; winner announced at **Oktoberfest in April** – Play to win!
- March 6** We welcome you to join in our Lenten Mass; simply call ahead for Mass times, 610-929-5751
- March 7** **Lenten Agape and Tea** with the MSC Sisters at Sacred Heart Villa, 6:30 PM. All are welcome! RSVP to [MissionAdvancement@mscreading.org](mailto:MissionAdvancement@mscreading.org).
- April 21** **Easter Blessings!** The MSC Sisters welcome you to celebrate Easter Mass with them. Call the week before to confirm Mass time(s), 610-929-5751.
- April 28** **Oktoberfest in April** at the Crowne Plaza Reading. Enjoy a Polka Mass at 1:00 PM followed by our main event from 2:00-6:00 PM. Invitations mail in February or visit [www.MScreading.org](http://www.MScreading.org).
- June 28** **Feast of the Sacred Heart** — On this date the June Calendar Sweepstakes \$500 prize winner will be drawn. Be sure to play and it may be you!
- Sept. 21** **NUN RUN 5K 1M FUN WALK** celebrates its 10th anniversary! Be a part of the celebration!

