



HANDMAIDS OF THE
SACRED HEART OF JESUS,
USA PROVINCE

REPORT ON PHILANTHROPIC GIVING

2014-2015



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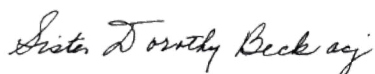
From Our Leadership

Dear Friends,

This letter will focus on two short phrases that I learned many years before becoming a Handmaid. The first phrase is *Thank You*. On behalf of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I would like to say *thank you* to our friends and supporters for the continued outpouring of love and kindness you share with our Community of sisters. *Thank you* to our US Province Advisory Board members, whose vision and ideas help us to move in the right direction. *Thank you* to our students and their families in our Wyncote ministry, the retreatants in our Haverford ministry, and the communities of people with whom we walk in Athens, Miami, and Philadelphia. *Thank you* for the privilege of knowing and serving you. And finally, *thank you* to our generous donors, benefactors, and all those who contribute in any way to the Handmaid mission. Each of you inspires us and encourages us to embrace our Eucharistic reparative spirit and to seek peace as a way of life.

The second phrase is not really a phrase, but rather one word: *Please*. Again, on behalf of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, I ask you to *please* pray for us and those we serve. *Please* continue to journey with us. And *please* open your hearts and minds to heed the message that our foundress so passionately and profoundly exemplified throughout her life: “*All of us united like the fingers of a hand, thus shall we succeed in all that we do because we have the Lord, God for our own.*” Know that you are always in our thoughts and prayers, and that our gratitude to you is immeasurable.

With gratitude, hope and love,



Sister Dorothy Beck, acj
Provincial Superior



Dear Friends,

It is again time to share the year's activities with you. As we complete another year with the USA Province, we welcome our newly appointed Provincial Superior, Sr. Belén Escauriaza. Hopefully you will have the opportunity in the near future to get to know Sr. Belén.

In welcoming Sr. Belén, we also thank Sr. Dorothy Beck for the six years she has served as Provincial Superior and wish her well in her new endeavors in the Handmaid community.

Finally, to our Board Members, I say thank you for another year of commitment to the Handmaids and I ask that you continue your support so that the Handmaids can continue to fulfill their mission to those in need.

Best wishes,



Michael Valucci
Chair, Development Advisory Board





Students at Ancillae-Assumpta Academy Respond to the Global Reach of the Handmaids

During the 2014-2015 school year, Ancillae-Assumpta Academy took on a major initiative in helping its students make meaningful connections with the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus throughout the world.

Starting with the United States, the students became better acquainted with the ministries in Athens, Haverford, Miami, and Philadelphia, and proudly recognized that their school in Wyncote is the sole educational ministry sponsored by the Handmaids in the USA. They came to understand that the work of the Handmaids in El Salvador began in 2004 as an outreach mission of the Philadelphia community. Handmaids and volunteers build houses for those in need, provide food for the hungry, send over 200 children to school, offer reading programs for school children and adults, and give medical and other support as needed.

The students learned that the Handmaids, unlike many other congregations, do not serve a single purpose, but rather serve in ways that take them to wherever they are needed to "heal a broken world." As a result, today the sisters have a presence in 27 countries. Facts the students learned about some of the countries are:

- In Cameroon, Africa, there are three Handmaid communities with nineteen sisters. They staff a preschool and primary school, visit prisons, engage in parish ministry, and work in a clinic delivering babies and providing hospice and care to AIDS patients.
- In Montevideo, Uruguay, the Handmaids conduct a retreat center.
- In Buenos Aires, Ituzaingo, and Sunchales, Argentina, the sisters are responsible for several elementary and high schools.
- In Dilkhush, India, the Handmaids began a ministry in 1971 by working with children who have special needs and unique learning challenges. Since then, the sisters have established a sheltered workshop where those involved are able to learn a trade or occupation. More recently in India, the sisters established a hostel for tribal girls.

At the conclusion of each continent's presentation, students were asked to share their thoughts. As they expressed their feelings, concerns, and prayers for those served by the Handmaids, they realized the vision of the "seeing Christ in the face of the poor" as served by the Handmaid ministries. Their newly acquired knowledge and appreciation for the Handmaids' ministries prompted them to take action. They did so by responding in a meaningful way and with a concerted effort to the "Heart to Heart" program, an Ancillae-Assumpta Academy networking initiative that assists the under served who are ministered to by the Handmaids.

With a greater understanding, students were able to connect. They were touched by the information they read and the pictures they saw. Becoming aware touched the students' hearts, broke the students' hearts, moved the students' hearts, and changed the students' hearts. More importantly, it showed the students and affirmed the reality that their Handmaid school truly is "One School – One Heart – One World."

Healing Hearts in Athens

As Eucharistic women, Handmaids the world over work with Christ to bring healing to people's hearts. Sister Margarita Martin, the Community Superior of the Handmaid ministry in Athens, Georgia reaffirms the mission: *"Our focus is healing hearts. We [Sister Margarita, along with Sisters Angela Cordero and Marietta Jansen] serve the people of God whose hearts are really broken."*

The Handmaids' home at *Oasis Católico Santa Maria* is located in a mobile home park. There, they live among some of Georgia's most underserved. They settled in Athens in 2002 because of the families in need. *"We didn't come with a job description. We just came to be,"* Sister Margarita explains.

It is there that the sisters offer a tutoring service for children of the mobile home park families, 74 percent of whom are estimated to live below the poverty level. *"The parents feel very inadequate because they can't help their kids. So just knowing the tutors are here feels good,"* Sister Margarita says. **"Healing hearts."**

Routinely, the sisters provide food, clothing, medical supplies, and other assistance to those lacking life's basic necessities. They also offer religious programs and celebrations that satisfy a spiritual need. *"You see it in those smiling faces as people feel welcomed, loved, and appreciated,"* Sister Margarita says. **"Healing hearts."**

Congruent with Pope Francis' sentiment that the church needs to get its hands dirty by serving the poor and the oppressed, the Handmaids do that and more at *Oasis*. And in case it isn't obvious, the sisters get their hands dirty **"Healing hearts."**



A Time and a Place for God at Saint Raphaela Center



Who among us has not found oneself searching? *Am I on the right track? Will I ever be truly happy? Am I trying hard enough? Am I doing what God is asking of me? Could I do more?* We look in many ways, in many places for what is missing in our lives. Feeling at times restless and incomplete, we yearn for more. Many times our search takes us on a wandering journey to meaningless experiences that leave us feeling empty and unfulfilled. Sometimes, when we think we have discovered "THE" answer, we ask, *"Is that all there is?"*

At Saint Raphaela Center in Haverford, the Handmaids sponsor a retreat center and offer programs to help in the search for *"what may be missing."* Founded in 1957 as an offering for Catholic retreatants, today Saint Raphaela Center serves people of all ages, faiths, and religious traditions. Our mission is to extend a warm welcome and to facilitate prayer and a deep spiritual encounter by accompanying our visitors in their search for God and for meaning in their lives. The Center's serene, peaceful, setting provides a sanctuary where one can begin to see, feel, and experience ***"a time and a place for God."*** It is a haven — a place for the body, mind, and soul to transcend the everyday pressures and challenges and delve into a place of reflection and contemplation. In this loving and accepting environment, our guests can experience a wholeness, peace, and reconciliation with God, with others, and with creation.

On the outside: The magnificent surroundings that envelop the Saint Raphaela Center unquestionably validate the immeasurable gift of creation God has designed. The natural beauty of the Center, encircled by acres of abundant foliage and wildlife offers respite from the hectic pace of today's world.

On the inside: One of the places most conducive to an encounter that fosters a spiritual awakening and growth is our Chapel. With expansive windows that afford a panoramic view of our grounds, the setting in-the-round offers the perfect space to feel connected with others and ultimately with God.

One college student's experience:

"Here I was having just finished my junior year of college, standing in the St. Raphaela Chapel with tears nearly welling in my eyes. Again, this chapel, whispering welcomes to me — a constant that I'd forgotten. It was beckoning me again to reunite with its simplicity and its unending grace.

This chapel has formed communities. I have witnessed so many friendships here solidified with hugs, so many smiles of understanding met with the subtle wiping of tears, so many songs played and thoughts stirred and stories shared. Within its walls of glass and stone I'd learned again and again what love was: the love that stems from the power of presence, the love that creates communities, the love so strong we can't translate it to our own language."



The Handmaids in Miami: A Microcosm of St. Raphaela Mary's Desire

Throughout the globe, the Body of Christ has many faces. Faces revealing a multitude of colors that hint at an even greater number of nationalities, religions, and cultures. In the early nineteenth century when Saint Raphaela Mary was envisioning the Institute she was forming as the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, she remarked, *"I want the Institute to be Universal like the Church."* She knew the breadth and depth of the Body of Christ and wanted her sisters to embrace it without reservation.

Today, she would be pleased that her Congregation not only embraces this desire — they live it.

The Handmaid community in Miami is comprised of three sisters. One is a Spaniard; one is from Taiwan; and one is a first generation American whose parents immigrated from Italy. A microcosm of the universality lived and actualized by the Handmaids, the sisters continually strive to increase the sense of being One Body by building cross-cultural, multi-ethnic communities. It is a daunting task, but one that rewards both the giver and the receiver.

In the Archdiocese of Miami, which serves over half a million Catholics, the term multi-ethnic underscores the complexion of its residents. Mass is celebrated in seventeen languages.

Those served by the sisters are among Miami's poor. Most are uneducated, marginalized, and spiritually hungry. Many are immigrants. It is they who are often referred to Sister Cecilia Chen.

For more than fifteen years, Sister Cecilia has been an advocate and an accredited immigration representative at Catholic Legal Services of the Archdiocese of Miami, Florida. Before that, she served refugees from Egypt and Liberia. She's fought for the rights of immigrants from Central America and the Caribbean. She's taught children in Tokyo, Dublin and London. And she worked in Philadelphia with Catholic Social Services until 2002.

For those who need assistance navigating the complex maze of details within the Immigration and Naturalization Service, she is a gift, and often times a miracle worker. The case of Mr. Miranda is just one of the many examples of Sister Cecilia's unbridled attempts to reconcile the brokenness in the world.

Like Sister Cecilia, Sister Dona DeMarco also serves the struggling and those in need of God's loving kindness. Along with the Brothers of the Good Shepherd, (who, after having merged orders, are now the Hospitaller Brothers of St. John of God), Sister Dona is part of the group welcoming the homeless to Camillus House. It is a place where one can have a meal, shower, and receive a change of clothes. It is also a place, where, according to Sister

The Case of Mr. Miranda

Recently, Sister Cecilia was called in to handle the case of an older Peruvian gentleman who had been living legally in the United States for more than 35 years. In 2013, Mr. Miranda travelled to Peru to visit a friend who was dying of cancer. Upon his return, he was apprehended at the Miami Airport, stripped of his USA permanent residency status, and deportation proceedings began.

The background on Mr. Miranda showed that 14 years earlier, he had been arrested, fined, and sent to anger management classes for an altercation with his son. [He had slapped his son as a reprimand for keeping undesirable company.] Since then, Mr. Miranda had been in good standing and had resumed a loving relationship with his son for several years. Sadly, his son died in a car accident at the age of 23.

As Sister Cecilia prepared Mr. Miranda's case, she highlighted the good deeds performed by him, his excellent work history, and the tragic loss of his son. The appeal before the Immigration Judge and the trial attorney was successful and Mr. Miranda regained his legal status in the USA. *"She never lost a case with me,"* said Judge Denise Slavin. *"It's nice to see that her clients aren't nervous. They're confident when they come to court."*

Miranda and his family will forever be grateful to Sister Cecilia and the Church for helping him in his hour of need.

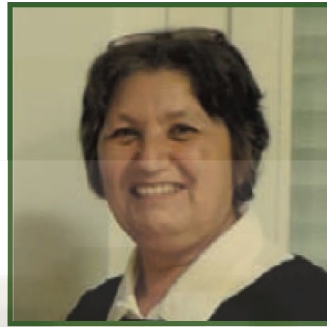
Buenos dias, Don Jose

Here before me is an immigrant from Nicaragua adrift in the USA. I sit down beside this man with his head bowed, avoiding eye contact. We begin by asking for grace that we may be able to love, to adore, and to serve... Translating his words from Spanish to English, I will be the intermediary between a heart wrenching story and a team member at Camillus House who wants to find resources for this distressed human being. All Handmaids in the USA speak Spanish (with greater or lesser fluency). The effort to speak shows a friendly face especially to newcomers.

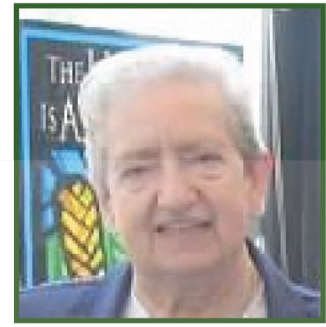
"*Buenos dias, Don Jose*". I listen and explain to the social worker that Jose was a day laborer on the farms in South Miami. He was sending money home to his younger sister who has four children and was abandoned by her "husband". After a fight one evening when everyone was full of cheap alcohol, he had to flee for his life. He ended up here, at Camillus House, where he has heard there is help. "*Could we help him?*"

After a bit of questioning, we learn that Jose lost everything on the walk from his country through Mexico before he even reached the United States. Becoming separated from his group, one night he was robbed of clothes, papers, wallet, everything. Through our short conversation, it becomes clear that we can begin to provide Jose companionship, empathy, and the human services which Camillus House offers, immediate emergency care of the body and a compassion which may begin to mend an isolated, hurting, confused heart.

Excerpts of this article, written by Sister Dona DeMarco with Sister Kayjoy Cooper, are reprinted from Handmaids Today, N° 226 2014.



Sister Dona DeMarco



Sister María Jesús Sagaseta

Dona, "*Each day, I meet people who help me comprehend the depth of God's love for our world...unique individuals who walk right into my memory, unbidden but welcome.*"

With each of her sisters Sister Dona shares a faith in Jesus Christ, working for the Reign of God. Together, they carry the sufferings and hopes of Miami's people, the Body of Christ.

For Sister María Jesús Sagaseta, the Community Superior in Miami, her fifty eight years of Consecrated life is witness to God never abandoning His people. "*We just must place our trust in Him and know that our ministries are always new, fresh and enthusiastic.*" She shares with a passion her belief that the providence of God is always at hand in each new day, in each ministry.

"*God visits us in new ways and with new needs so we praise and thank God for all our ministries and His gifts which open our eyes to His love.*"

She shares a recent experience: "During my visit with the sisters in Athens, I was asked to accompany a woman who was bringing Holy Communion to a dying man. As we prepared to leave, we were informed that the man had died, but decided to make the trip anyway. Upon our arrival at his home, we found the man's daughter weeping. The daughter was a woman I had known from years earlier when I had been a part of parish ministry there. Knowing that I was now living in Miami, she was quite surprised to see me. Grief stricken and broken, how grateful she was that I was present in her time of sorrow. Was this fate or a chance encounter, perhaps? I think not. The timing of this was the Divine Providence of God."

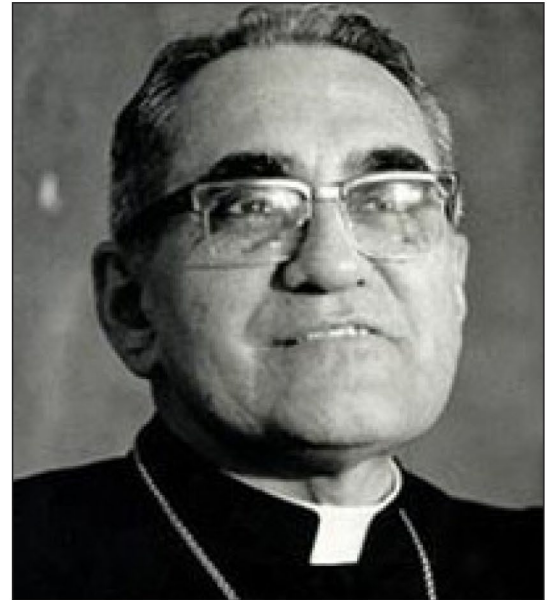
Like the people served at Camillus House and like the many court bound immigrants, this woman was one blessed by God's loving hand. Touched in some way, these fragmented brothers and sisters are many times transformed into a new creation. And while they may not be aware of the expression "*Divine Providence*", these members of the Body of Christ see it, hear it, and feel it up close and personally.

The Beatification of Oscar Romero

Óscar Arnulfo Romero y Galdámez was a prelate of the Catholic Church in El Salvador, who served as the fourth Archbishop of San Salvador. He spoke out against poverty, social injustice, assassinations and torture. Born August 15, 1917, in Ciudad Barrios, El Salvador, he was assassinated: March 24, 1980, in San Salvador, El Salvador. On May 23, 2015, Monsignor Romero was beatified in a ceremony in El Salvador. The newly named Provincial Superior of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Sister Belén Escauriaza, accompanied by Sister Sagrario Núñez attended the beatification. The following is an account written by Sister Sagrario.

It is 7:00 in the morning on May 23, 2015, when Sister Belén Escauriaza and I, along with our friends — a Canadian couple, a Nigerian priest and two Salvadoran boys — leave our Volunteer House to attend the Beatification of Monsignor Oscar Romero. Our excitement couldn't have been greater. We were filled with joy, anticipation and gratitude, as well as with some trepidation. Should we have left the house at 6:00 am rather than 7:00, to find a good spot on the main artery leading to the square? The ceremony was scheduled for 10:00 o'clock, but people had been flocking to the streets from the previous day, braving torrential rains overnight to secure a seat.

The event took place at the Savior of the World Plaza, turned open air cathedral, in San Salvador. Pilgrims from as far away as Singapore, the USA, Europe, and the Americas, as well as Salvadorans from every small village, wanted to celebrate what many people thought was a long overdue recognition of a Salvadoran martyr. Four Latin American presidents, six cardinals, hundreds of bishops and thousands of priests were among the immense crowd of over 300,000 that gathered in peace and more than filled the square. From where we were positioned, we could hardly see the altar. Luckily we



could watch everything on a gigantic screen broadcasting the event.

Everywhere there were people carrying banners and chanting songs: "*Romero, amigo, el pueblo esta contigo.*" ("*Romero, friend, the people are with you.*") Vendors selling flowers, music, stories, posters, T-shirts, and murals took care of our waiting time with great neighborliness. Minutes before 10:00 o'clock, the long line of clergy began filing in for the Mass. Wearing red vestments to signify martyrdom, their stoles were emblazoned with Romero's episcopal motto: "*Sentir con la Iglesia.*" ("*Feel/Think in and with the Church.*")

"*Blessed Romero is another brilliant star that belongs to the sanctity of the Church of the Americas,*" said Cardinal Angelo Amato, the Vatican envoy presiding at the Beatification ceremony. While those who killed him have died or are forgotten now, "*the memory of Romero continues to live in the poor and the marginalized,*" Amato said. In a message sent for the occasion Pope Francis

reminded us that Archbishop Romero “built the peace with the power of love, gave testimony of the faith with his life... In a time of difficulty in El Salvador he knew how to guide, defend and protect his flock, remaining faithful to the Gospel and in communion with the Church.”

In a glass case, Romero’s bloodied shirt, now a priceless relic, was reverently processed into the liturgy and carried to the altar by eight deacons. An assassin’s single bullet took the life of this martyr on March 24, 1980 as he was celebrating the Eucharist. The day before his death, Romero had made an impassioned appeal to the military and the police: “In the name of God, in the name of this suffering people whose cries rise to heaven more loudly each day, I implore you, I beg you : STOP the repression.” One of the offertory gifts brought to the altar was the book, *De la Locura a la Esperanza*, (*From Madness to Hope*), a summary of the Peace Accords’ findings that ended El Salvador’s twelve-year war. My head was spinning. What would Romero, the bishop of peace and of the poor, say to



his beloved country, thirty-five years after his death, when he sees it still submerged in deadly violence?

Pope Francis’ message expressed eloquently what I was sure were also Romero’s sentiments: “This is the moment for favorable and proper national reconciliation. The Pope participates in this hope, is united in prayer, so the seed of martyrdom is entrenched in the true paths of the sons and daughters of this nation, which prides itself on carrying the name of the divine Savior of the world.”

Remarkably, just as Cardinal Amato read the decree proclaiming Oscar Arnulfo Romero “Blessed”, a circular rainbow formed around the sun and remained for a while for all to see.

I was struck with awe.

“What could it mean?” I wondered.

I read it as a message of Peace — A peace that engages in truth telling and denouncing evil. A peace that loves even the enemy. Or perhaps as Pope Francis says, “A peace that is the fruit of a poor church for the poor.”

The sentiments of Sister Belen add: “Like Blessed Oscar Romero, may we, the Handmaids, have the desire, strength, and courage to be heroic for the cause of the poor, against injustice.”

The challenge remains!

IN PHILADELPHIA - A CROSS CULTURAL COMMUNITY

The Handmaid community in Philadelphia can claim that 60% of their members have left their countries, families, and friends to live their ministries away from home and in accord with the will of God. It is a sacrifice they make to honor their vows and to promote the mission of their foundress, St. Raphaela Mary. These women of different cultures live side by side in one of the many South Broad Street row homes surrounded by diversity. A recent study indicates that while South Philadelphia has been growing more diverse for decades, the last twenty-five years have seen the greatest influx of Asian and Hispanic families. Growing populations of Cambodians, Indonesians, Vietnamese, Thai, Chinese, Mexicans, and Central Americans add to the blend of customs and traditions that define the "new" South Philadelphia.

The Handmaids who are part of this unique neighborhood work in various ways reaching out to the community and sharing their individual gifts. Embracing the multi-culturalism that is characteristic of the Handmaids, the sisters are attentive to the needs of their neighbors, offering pastoral support and inculturation. Sister Florentina Iruretagoyena, who hails from Spain, is a particular asset to the Hispanic community and a presence at the nearby parish of St. Thomas Aquinas.

At La Salle University, Sister Betty Ann McDonald

brings a spirit of cooperation and commitment to her daily work, taking great satisfaction in the interactions she has with students of all ages and backgrounds.

For Sister Gloria Petrone, ministering in El Salvador takes her away from her Philadelphia base for months at a time as she works among the poor in several villages surrounding San Salvador. Her ministry, Project Fiat, which began in 2004, is an outgrowth of the Handmaids' Mission Center, located at the Broad Street residence.

Sister Belén Escauriaza also ministers from this inner-city setting. From here, she is able to be involved with "*Peace, Justice, and the Integrity of Creation*", a new initiative of the Handmaids. She loves her neighbors and the people she has met, and with great joy states, "*For me it is a beautiful moment when I can share a conversation and have some time together with people I have come to know as friends. This is where I belong.*" Recently named the USA Provincial Superior, Sister Belén also shares her time and efforts with Project Fiat in El Salvador.

Giving witness to the Church by being a presence among the urban underprivileged of all races and ethnic groups, the Handmaids continue to live out their commitment to social justice and peace. And where better than the *City of Brotherly Love*?

Golden Jubilees Celebrated

Three Handmaids recently marked their golden jubilees.

Sister Cecilia Chen was born April 18, 1941 in Tainan, Taiwan. A convert to Catholicism, she joined the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Rome, Italy, and entered the novitiate in Spain on January 9, 1965. She made her first profession there on August 22, 1967 and her final profession on August 15, 1975 in Dublin. Sr. Cecilia has taught students in Tokyo, Dublin, and London. She also served in ministries in Egypt, Liberia, Central America, the Caribbean, and Philadelphia. In 2002, she began her current ministry as an advocate for immigrants through Catholic Legal Services of the Archdiocese of Miami, Florida.

A native of Spain, **Sister Belén Escauriaza** entered the Handmaid novitiate in Loyola, Spain, on February 2, 1965, at the age of eighteen. The fifth of twelve children, she was born into a devout Catholic family. (One of her father's sisters was a member of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart and two were members of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.) Educated by the Handmaids, Sr. Belén has served as a teacher, principal, and director of schools in Spain and France. She also coordinated pastoral catechesis for 25 villages in France before being missioned to the Democratic Republic of Congo and Cameroon, where she served as community superior, formator, and coordinator of the kindergarten school. Sr. Belén is the current USA Provincial Superior.

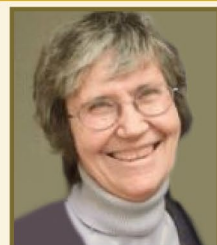
Sister Margaret Scott entered the Handmaid novitiate in England in 1965. Her theological studies were completed in Rome, with her final profession taking place in 1975. Teacher, retreat director, formation directress, local superior, and Provincial Superior for the English-Irish Province, Sr. Margaret also served as an Assistant General for the General Team in Rome from 1987 through 1992. Widely traveled in Europe, Africa, India, Asia, Latin America, and the USA giving lectures and workshops on the Eucharist and other topics, she is the author of *The Eucharist and Social Justice*. Sr. Margaret recently completed a multi-year term as Director of the Seisen International School in Tokyo, Japan.



Sr. Cecilia Chen



Sr. Belén Escauriaza



Sr. Margaret Scott

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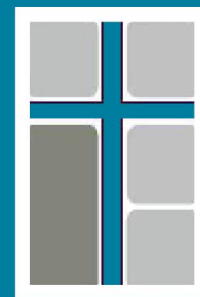
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Warm messages and lovely tributes offered with respect and admiration highlighted a celebration held in April, 2015, for Sister Dorothy Beck, USA Provincial Superior. Sister Dorothy was honored for her sixty years of loving service and dedication to the communities of Haverford, Miami, and Wyncote. She was also lauded for having served three terms as Provincial Superior.

Among those attending the event and reception hosted by the USA Province Development Advisory Board were Sister Dorothy's family, former students, many longtime friends, and the Handmaids. The day was full of memories, good wishes, and heartfelt gratitude to a loving and devoted servant of God. In her honor, contributions were made to the Handmaids, United States Province. We are deeply grateful to those whose thoughtful generosity is noted.



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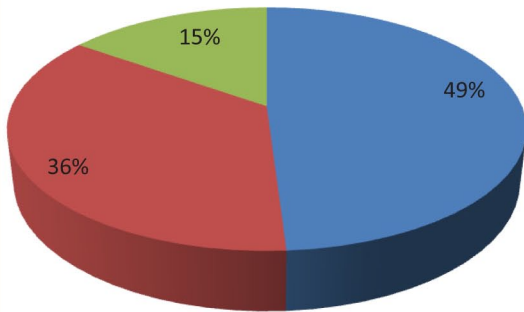
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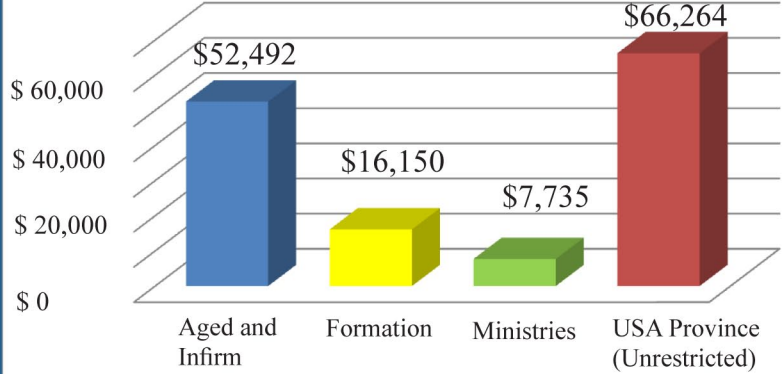
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2014-2015 Contributions

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Annual Fund and Grant Designations



2014-2015 End-of-Year Summary *Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA Province*

Designations	Grants	Annual Fund	Other	Total
ACJ Province	-	\$66,264	\$7,905 IHO Dorothy Beck	\$74,169
Aged and Infirm	\$42,437	\$10,055	\$5,790 Novena of Masses	\$58,282
Athens	\$4,000	-	-	\$4,000
Formation	\$12,000	\$4,150	-	\$16,150
Project for Caibarien	-	\$200	\$2,500 Special Collection	\$2,700
Project FIAT	\$2,000	\$975	-	\$2,975
St. Raphaela Center	-	\$560	\$9,460 IMO Philomena Monte	\$10,020
TOTAL	\$60,437	\$82,204	\$25,655	\$168,296

Annual Fund Contributions

In this Annual Report, we are pleased to acknowledge the generous contributions made to the Annual Fund of the Saint Raphaela Center.

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Gifts In Memory of Sister Philomena Monte



Sister Philomena Monte, a member of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus community for sixty-five years, died peacefully at Saint Raphaela Center on November 20, 2014. One of nine children born to Domenic and Almerinda Monte, Sister Philomena was a proud member of St. Rita parish and a graduate of West Catholic High School for Girls. She entered the Handmaid novitiate in 1949 and later served in numerous ministries including Ancilla Domini Academy, St. Basil the Great in Kimberton, PA, and Ancillae-Assumpta Academy. She also served for many years as second mistress of novices. In 1957, Sr. Philomena became the first directress of St. Raphaela Center in Haverford and worked diligently to establish the Center as a place where one could experience the reparative and transformative love of God. The Center and retreat ministry became her passion.

In her memory, contributions were made to the Handmaids, United States Province. We are deeply grateful to those whose loving generosity is noted.

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From gardening to dishwashing to answering the phone and door, our volunteers in Haverford are that sweet ingredient that make our guests feel warm and welcome. We are so grateful for your friendship and the gift of your time! Think about joining us - bring your talents here!
Call Sr. Kathy Gazie at 610-642-5715 to inquire.

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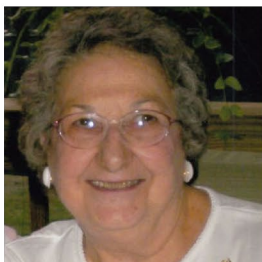
Kathy Dabagian spends at least one full day each week making our grounds look healthy, pretty and interesting!



Sr. Theresa Suplick, SSJ faithfully spends Mondays and Wednesdays at St. Raphaela Center as the receptionist.

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We Lovingly Remember Marie Carr



Marie Carr, who was a frequent visitor for many years at Saint Raphaela Center, passed away on August 8, 2015. Marie was the beloved wife of the late Robert H. Carr and loving mother of Donna M. Botta and Carol Ann Carr. She was also a devoted grandmother and great-grandmother.

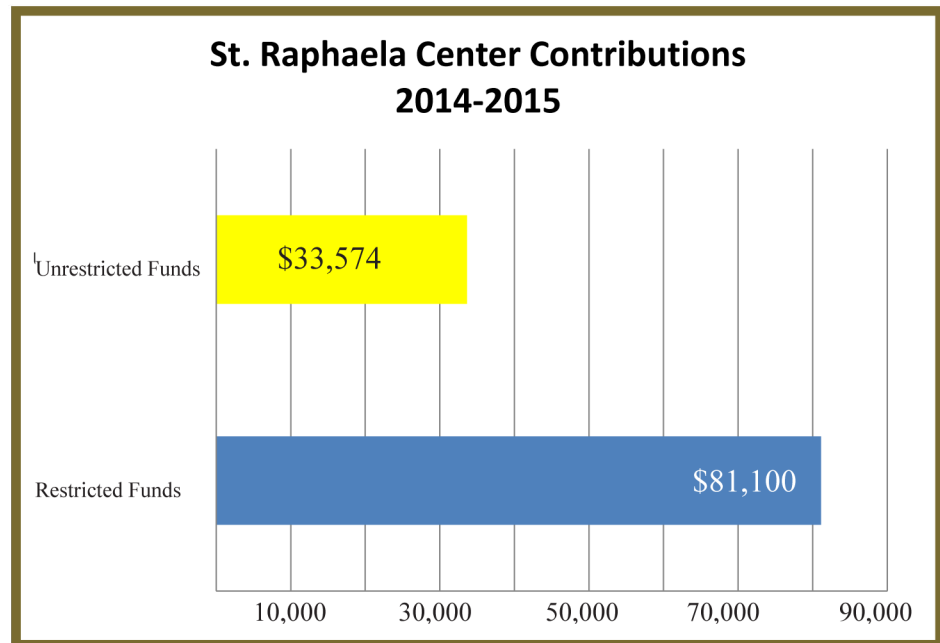
A committed friend and supporter of the Handmaids, Marie was a faithful volunteer at the Center, always with a warm disposition and an engaging smile. In a very generous gesture, her daughters and family have requested that contributions in Marie's memory be made to St. Raphaela Center. We are grateful for their thoughtfulness and their desire to offer such a loving tribute to their mother.

"Give generously to them and do so without a grudging heart, then because of this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to."

15.Deuteronomy 15:10

Contributions to the Saint Raphaela Center Annual Fund include those made directly to the Center.

Contributions in the amount of \$560.00 which were received through the USA Province Annual Fund and designated to the Retreat Center are handled separately and are not included in this chart.



One Very Generous Benefactor Gives Hope

The unexpected greeting was addressed to Sister Dorothy Beck, Director of the Saint Raphaela Center. Handwritten and comprised of few words, the message it bore was simple. In part, it read:

Dear Sisters,

This check, added to the one I gave you last year, brings to a total the amount I had set aside for you in my will. I have decided to give you the money now so you can use it for your great need.

Enclosed with the card was a check for \$75,000, a contribution to the Center and the single, largest gift made by an individual in recent memory.

It is not often that Sister Dorothy receives unsolicited gifts designated to the Retreat Center, let alone one of such magnitude. So one can easily understand her utter surprise and her humble, thankful reaction.

Knowing the urgency of having the Center made more accessible to the needs of its visitors, Sister Dorothy has been determined to find ways to achieve that aim. With

this one contribution she was encouraged and inspired. It gave her hope.

Sister Dorothy wanted to elaborate about the gracious woman whose generosity will most certainly impact the Center's future.

She shared that the donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, has been attending retreats and programs at St. Raphaela Center for over twenty years. She also receives spiritual direction there and has always found the sisters at the Center to be welcoming and hospitable. She relays feeling that the idyllic grounds upon which the Center is located and its beautiful Chapel provide her with a sense of peace and contentedness. Sr. Dorothy describes her as a "beautiful soul - someone whose love of God is shown with devotion and purity of heart."

The generous gift she has made will hopefully provide for improved accommodations allowing others to experience "a time and a place for God."

Ways to Contribute to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA Province

The Handmaids USA Province Annual Fund

Our Annual Fund helps provide support for general operating expenses, formation, and the care of our senior sisters. The campaign extends from September 1 through August 31 of each year.

Matching Gifts

You can double or triple your support by designating the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA Province as the recipient of matching funds when your employer has a Matching Gift Program. Please check with your employer to determine whether a Matching Gift Program is offered.

Foundation Support

If you or a family member has established a foundation, contributions to the Handmaids may be made through your foundation.

If you serve on the board of a foundation, or if your employer has a foundation, please make us aware. Opportunities for grants are often available to organizations such as the Handmaids.

Gifts of Stock

You can give appreciated stock, which is easily transferable and offers special tax benefits.

Planned Giving

Significant tax advantages are available for making contributions to charitable organizations through planned giving, (including bequests, securities, life insurance, annuities, and more). Please consider the Handmaids when planning your estate.

Memorial Bequests

Oftentimes when a loved one dies, the family wants to memorialize their loved one in a significant and meaningful way. One of the simplest ways to do this is to request that contributions in memory of your loved one be designated to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA Province.

Events

The *Journey of Hope* is quickly becoming the “signature” event benefitting the USA Province of the Handmaids. A great opportunity for getting together with friends and contributors, the event offers a variety of ways to support the Handmaids.

If you would like to host or sponsor an event to benefit the Handmaids, please contact us:

Phone: 610-642-5715

Email: handmaidsoftheusa@gmail.com

To Contribute, You May:

- Remit a check by mail to the: **Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, USA Province**
Development Office
616 Coopertown Road Haverford, PA. 19041
- **Contribute on-line through Network for Good.**

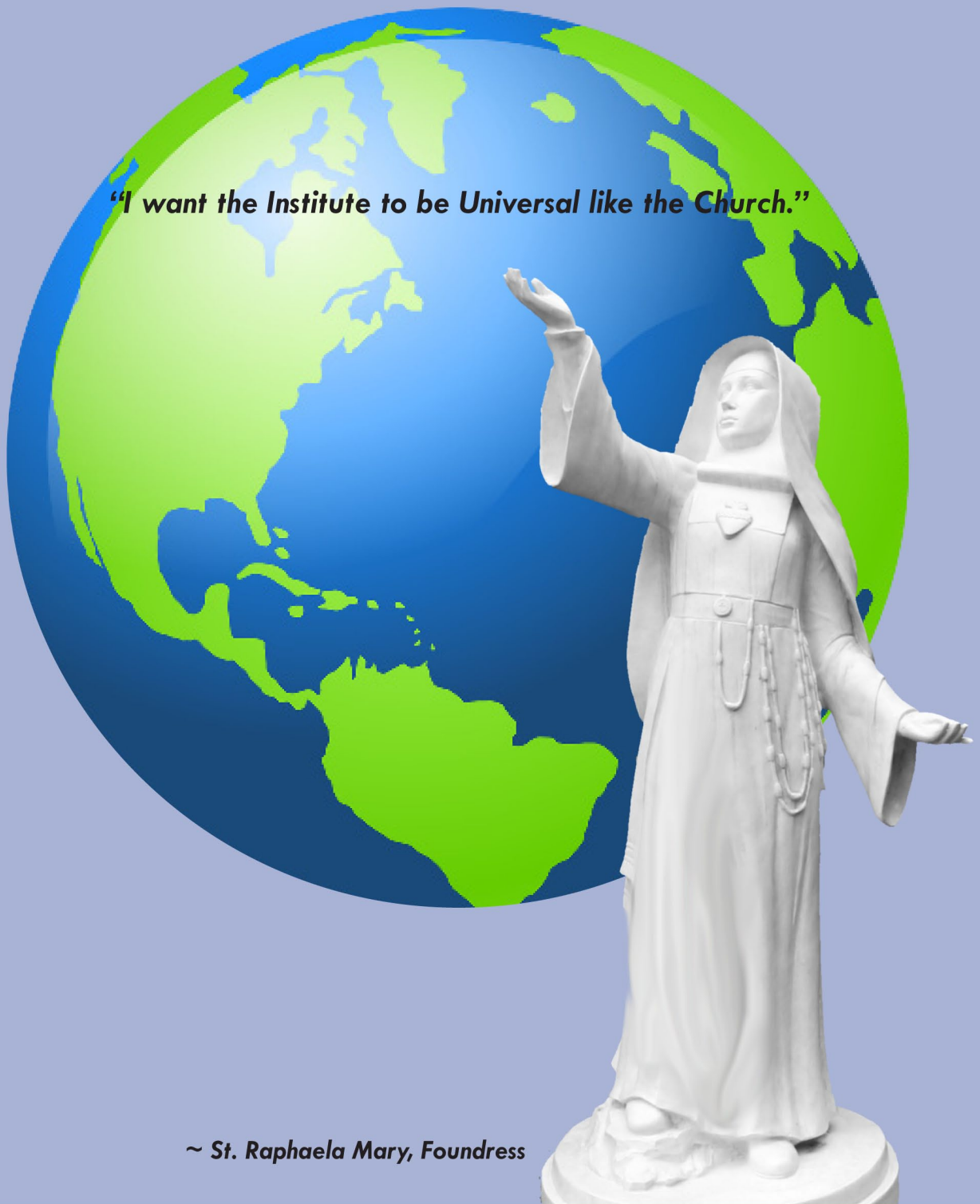
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~ St. Raphaela Mary, Foundress



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On the Cover - Top left corner: Hands belonging to Lisa Vanni, AAA faculty member and Project Fiat volunteer, embrace the hand of an unnamed woman. *(Photo courtesy of Brynn Conroy, AAA '09 and Project Fiat volunteer)*

Lower portion, clockwise from top left: Students from Mercy Vocational Technical School; Saint Raphaela Center, Haverford, PA; Sisters Sagrario Núñez and Inmaculada Fukasawa at the Intermediate Meeting in September, 2014; Sister Belén Escauriaza works alongside volunteers at Project Fiat in El Salvador; Sister Uyen-Chi Dang.