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Our Mission

Teaching Christian living is the corporate mission of the Ursuline Sisters. This ministry, cutting across socio-economic, racial and national boundaries, assists women, men and children to live more fully and to develop a personal relationship with God.

ON THE COVER:

Sacred Heart Model School students pose as the Magi with Sister Jane Stuckenberg to celebrate our Gifting issue of The DOME.

*Sacred Heart Model School Students L to R:
Will H., Barret U. and Tristan J.*

“The magi, as you know, were wise men—wonderfully wise men—who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger. They invented the art of giving Christmas presents. Being wise, their gifts were no doubt wise ones, possibly bearing the privilege of exchange in case of duplication.”

So begins the last paragraph of O. Henry’s famous story, “The Gift of the Magi.” It is a beautiful story of gift giving. One, I think, that should be read every Christmas before one does gift giving. It is about planning and love and sacrifice.

It is no accident that our editorial team chose to depict the Magi with an Ursuline Sister for the cover of this issue of the DOME, because this issue is dedicated to you, the benefactors of the Ursuline Sisters and our ministries. It is dedicated to all of you who support us with gifts that reflect planning, love and sacrifice, and who support us with time, talent and treasure. Like the Magi, you are wonderfully wise people—people who bring gifts to the ministry of the Ursuline Sisters so that we in turn can bring the gift of the Gospel to others through our prayers, works and suffering. What a wonderful way for all of us to be connected.

And speaking of being connected, I read recently that Archbishop Desmond Tutu once said, “Do your little bit of good where you are; it’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.”

And so together let us each in our own way do our little bit of good no matter if it be time, talent or treasure; or prayer, works or suffering so that together we can overwhelm the world.

Thanks for being our friends and benefactors. God be with you in every way. You are our gift.



Sister Janet M. Peterworth

Sister Janet Marie Peterworth, OSU
President, Ursuline Sisters of Louisville



LEFT TO RIGHT:
Sister Rita Dressman, Will H.,
Sister Loretta Guenther,
Barret U., Tristan J. and
Sister Jane Stuckenberg
with our “Gift of the Magi.”

Stories of Giving

In this issue, we will be sharing several stories of giving of time, talent and treasure, and one of giving yourself the gift of rest and reflection. Please know we give thanks for all of you!



Charles "Bud" and Barbara (Hagan) Simmons, longtime volunteers and donors to the Ursuline Sisters

"Faith without works is dead." James 2:14)

BY SR. JANET MARIE PETERWORTH

This verse is the driving force behind Charles "Bud" and Barbara (Hagan) Simmons who have shared their time, talent and treasure with the Ursuline Sisters for many years. Both Bud and Barb are products of Catholic education in Louisville. Barb attended Angela Merici High School while Bud went to St. Xavier High School. Barb went on to Bellarmine-Ursuline College, then received her master's from Western Kentucky University. Bud attended St. Meinrad and graduated from Indiana University and the University of Louisville.

Over the last 30 years, these Ursuline friends have contributed financially in, as Barb put it, "many shapes and sizes to annual funds, capital campaigns, Interludes and various other campus fund drives." After 28 years of teaching in Catholic elementary schools, Barb taught theology for 20 more years at Sacred Heart Academy. She still substitutes today when she is needed. Bud had a career in the banking industry.

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As Barb got more and more involved at Sacred Heart Academy, she became moderator of the Community Action Club, a responsibility she held for 12 years. She encouraged her students to visit the Ursuline Sisters at Marian Home nursing facility, where the students read to the sisters, prayed with them and engaged them in conversation. One of Barb's fondest memories of visiting Marian Home was singing Christmas carols. Barb remembers, "The girls said they were not very good singers, but they sang so beautifully. Just listening to them brought tears to my eyes. They were such fine young women."

At the request of Sr. Brendan Conlon and Sr. Janet Marie Peterworth, Barb started the Appalachian

West Virginia, where I worked for 15 years. She was an angel. The toy drive just kept growing over those years. It was such a blessing."

Barb's interest in Appalachia did not end with the toy drive, however. She held a prom dress-sharing event for Christian Help one spring that enabled girls in Kermit who could not afford prom dresses to have a dress they could be proud to wear to prom. Barb also encouraged girls to help with ABLE Families' summer camps, a sister organization of Christian Help located in Kermit and run by Sr. Janet Marie.

Barb's interest in Appalachia was infectious. Barb recalls, "Ruth (Dilger) Kelly (another theology teacher at SHA) and I took a group of students to work with

"I don't know what we would have done without Barb and her enthusiasm for this toy drive....She was an angel. The toy drive just kept growing over those years. It was such a blessing." —Sr. Brendan Conlon

Christmas Toy Drive, in conjunction with the agency, Christian Help. The Christmas Toy Drive, now in its 22nd year, has become a staple for all of the Sacred Heart Schools on the Ursuline Campus. Sr. Brendan reflects, "I don't know what we would have done without Barb and her enthusiasm for this toy drive. She gave tirelessly of herself: organizing, delivering and helping with the distribution of the toys in Kermit,

the Appalachian Service Project one summer. That was a really good experience. We hammered and painted and learned a lot about building and getting dirty and sweaty that year."

The connection with Appalachia continues. According to Amy Olson, Director of Mission Effectiveness at Sacred Heart Schools, the Toy Drive

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Barb, center, front row, with volunteers and SHA students from a past Toy Drive.

is now called the Gift Drive as it has been expanded to include hats, gloves and sweatshirts, so that teens may receive gifts as well. Last year, over 2,700 gifts were sent to Kermit via the Gift Drive. Sacred Heart Academy students continue to return to Kermit during the summer to help with summer camps, and were inspired in June 2017 to start Camp Kermit, to which they invited children from Kermit to the Ursuline Campus in Louisville for summer camp.

Of course, while Barb was offering her talent and time to various school activities, she and Bud were rearing two children. "Bud was so helpful with managing our home and the children while I was doing all these other things. His time and talent were my support and that has meant so much to me." The

couple guided and encouraged their own children to pursue their education. Today their children, Ben and Katie, are building up and nourishing others with their gifts. Ben is an architect with EOP Architect in Louisville, and Katie is a personal chef and owner of Plants Rule in Chicago. And now it seems that good works and generosity have been passed on to the next generation of Simmons because Ben, the architect, is already doing pro-bono work for Nativity Academy in Louisville. To borrow an old saying, "The acorn does not fall far from the tree."

Barb and Bud are generous in so many ways. Bud quips, "We have supported Sacred Heart School for the Arts by giving our kids music lessons and then attending all their productions on the Ursuline Campus." But Bud and Barb do not just support the Ursuline Sisters on the Lexington Road Campus; they also support Nativity Academy, a school in downtown Louisville co-founded by Ursuline Sister Paula Kleine-Kracht. "We have contributed to Nativity since its beginning," Barb said. "And we hope to continue attending fund-raising events and sponsoring a student into the future."

And so, if faith without good works is dead, the faith of Bud and Barb Simmons must be very much alive because of the time, talent and treasure these friends have given to the Ursuline Sisters.

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A 69-year Friendship of Giving with "Sister"

BY KATHY WILLIAMS

When Mary Lou Williams Mangold was just six years old and about to enter the first grade at St. George in Louisville, her mother took her to the convent to meet her teacher, Sister Carmelita Grantz, so she wouldn't be so scared on the first day of school. Little did she know it was her teacher's very first year of



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teaching, and as Mary Lou states it, "We were both sort of in the same boat—my first day of school and Sister's first day of teaching!"

Mary Lou's family moved three months later to St. Martin parish, but she and Sr. Carmelita kept in touch. Sr. Carmelita even kept tabs on Mary Lou's academic progress. Mary Lou recently found a letter from her third grade school year from Sr. Carmelita (who was teaching in Nebraska at the time) stating that she was proud of her for doing such excellent work!

Mary Lou jokes, "I always told her that SHE taught me EVERYTHING I know during my first three months in her first grade class at St. George. She always got a

big kick out of hearing me say that." In Sr. Carmelita's final years at Nazareth Home-Clifton, Mary Lou would only have to say that to remind Sister gently who she was when she visited.

During one visit, Mary Lou said to Sister Carmelita, "Can you believe we have known each other for 69 long years?" Sister responded by saying, "Yes, it's amazing. And in my mind, I can still see that shy little girl when we were standing in front of St. George church, holding her Mama's hand so tightly that first day we met." What an iconic image that memory paints!

Mary Lou says, "If I live to be a thousand years old, I will never forget or stop loving Sr. Carmelita. Knowing her will always be one of the highlights of my life." Sister Carmelita Grantz passed away on June 20, 2011. Mary Lou continues to honor her former teacher and friend's memory by donating faithfully every month to the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville in her memory.

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Barb Mercer

Associate, Donor, Volunteer

BY BAY BALTES

From membership in the Associate Community, to donating money to the Ursuline Sisters, or volunteering in a variety of capacities on campus and off, Barb Mercer truly believes in giving her time, talent and treasure to the Ursulines and the larger community.

Barb first became acquainted with the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville as a grade school student at Holy Trinity parish school in Louisville in the 1960s. She loved the time she spent as a student there. Barb was happily anticipating attending Ursuline Academy for high school when her family moved to Crestwood in Oldham County and the length of the daily commute proved a barrier to her attending Ursuline Academy. So, it became Oldham County High School (OCHS) all the way for Barb!

After moving back to Louisville about 10 years ago, Barb was invited by a fellow parishioner at St. Peter the Apostle Church to consider joining the Ursuline Associate Community. She jumped at the chance to become a lay associate of the sisters she had so revered as a grade school student, and in August 2008 signed her initial covenant.



Barb Mercer

Joining the Associate Community has given Barb opportunities to donate both time and treasure to the sisters. Since 2008, she has been an active participant in many associate activities and gatherings, including serving on the advisory board, participating in a small reflection group and regularly attending "Liturgy and Lunch" every third Thursday.

The associates also partner with Evangel Tabernacle church of Louisville each year during Advent to decorate Christmas stockings for children who have a parent incarcerated in a Kentucky prison. Barb is a stalwart decorator of stockings for this ecumenical project to help spread Christmas cheer to these families.

Barb has participated in retreats and Sabbath Moments sponsored by our Angela Merici Center

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for Spirituality, as well as daylong retreats that NACAR (North American Conference of Associates and Religious) holds several times a year. In 2016, she accompanied several Louisville Ursulines to the Ursuline Retreat Center in Great Falls, Montana, for a weeklong retreat there. She describes being a member of the Associate Community as a “wonderful treasure.”

She also began making donations to the Ursulines at about the same time she joined the community and is especially interested in the Chapel Preservation fund. Barb is committed to doing all she can to further the Ursuline mission and devotion to Saint Angela

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Merici through personal participation, volunteering where needed and providing monetary support as she is able. Barb says that she is motivated by “the deep respect and appreciation of the gifts that the Ursuline Sisters have bestowed upon me.” She truly believes in the Ursuline motto – “Soli Deo Gloria – Be glory to the only God.”

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Peruvian Journal: Javier Tenorio

BY SR. SUE SCHARFENBERGER

Allow me to introduce you to Javier Tenorio. We and everyone else here call him “Ricce.”

In order to get to know Javier, you need to know that he is the son of Dominga Sernaque, a woman who was very active in her parish preparing parents to have their children baptized, working in human rights organizations on the local and national level, and a person who was there whenever help was needed.

Javier learned all this and more from his mother. He first sold newspapers with her when he was a little boy and later helped her sell fish in the market. She was the sole provider for a family of eight.

From Dominga, Javier learned to work—work hard and find opportunities to make connections and build friendships. He began working in our school after graduation, first by teaching carpentry, a skill he learned in the parish workshops. Then, little by little and winning the confidence of the parents, the principal and other teachers, Javier gained more work hours and a slightly better salary, which he then used to earn a university teacher’s degree.



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Because his mother never learned to read and write until she was an adult, Javier places a high value on education. He assured his wife, his sister and now his children that they will continue their studies beyond high school.

Our school, Santa Angela Merici School in Callao, Peru, has been the springboard from which Javier has served the community, families in need and students who need extra tutoring. His giving is without limits.

Javier is a giver of time and talent. While struggling to provide for his family of five boys and his wife, Raquel, his “treasure” is abundant generosity and true friendship.

After a long, all-day activity, it was Javier whom we called upon to help us get a jammed door open. It was Javier who organized a group of students in a campaign of solidarity when severe flooding hit Lima in March. It was Javier who gathered a group of former students to organize a fundraiser for another former student who

needed a serious operation. It is Javier who anticipates the needs of someone else. However, he does not act alone. He is very inclusive and is always looking for the best person or group of persons who can help with any given project for the benefit of others.

His connections go beyond the school and the parish. He has been involved in local political organizations, having been elected president of the small community where he lived for several years. Javier is known throughout Carmen de la Legua as a person of action who can get things done. He knows how to ask the right questions and how to work for the benefit of the common good.

His giving has become contagious. His brothers and sisters follow in his footsteps. His inviting laughter and smile reveal his generous heart.

The stories could go on and on. Javier is a giver of time and talent. While struggling to provide for his family of five boys and his wife, Raquel, his “treasure” is abundant generosity and true friendship.

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Mary Jean Clephas: A Life of Giving Well Planned

BY ELLEN MCKNIGHT

Mary Jean Clephas passed away in 2004 in Las Vegas after a full and adventurous life. Notified just recently that the Ursuline Sisters were listed as a beneficiary in her estate plans, her nephew, Marty Reinhart, sent photos and emailed memories that capture the essence of her free spirit. A native of Louisville, Kentucky, Mary Jean was Ursuline-influenced early in life. Her sister, Dorothy, was Ursuline Sister Gervase.

On a recent phone call Marty explained, "My Aunt Mary Jean's life was one of independence, service and leadership. She was very successful while at the same time being versatile and entrepreneurial. She never married. She traveled to 30 plus countries and shared her experiences to the delight of all of us."



Mary Jean's First Communion, 1933

A native of Louisville, Kentucky, Mary Jean was Ursuline-influenced early in life. Her sister, Dorothy, was Ursuline Sister Gervase.

The photo montage on the next page shows just how varied her career and interests were. She was an airplane mechanic at Bowman Field in Louisville when WWII began; served in the military as a WAVE and worked at a hospital in San Diego to assist in the rehabilitation of injured troops; and served in the Women's Ambulance and Defense Corps of America (WADC). After her military duties ended she became a real estate agent, started her own company and built her own house. Later she became a certified CPA.

A life well lived and well planned seems like an understatement.

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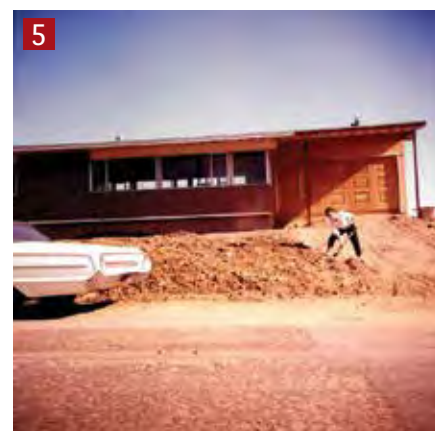
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1. Mary Jean, back left as an aircraft mechanic at Bowman Field, Louisville
2. Clephas family, front from left: Mary Jean, Dorothy (Sister Gervase)
3. U.S. Navy, 1945
4. Early businesswoman days
5. Digging the trench for her home's sewer lines



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Self-Care for Those Who Give

Each person must give as they have decided in their heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, because God loves a cheerful giver. (II Corinthians 9:7)

BY GINNY SCHAEFFER

As I write this in mid-September, we are being inundated with requests for financial donations for those who have lost so much in the epic and catastrophic Hurricane Harvey and the once-in-a-lifetime, we hope, Hurricane Irma. The need was, and continues to be, great. Everywhere we turned we were asked to give: in the checkout line at the grocery, on Facebook, while watching football, during telethons, at church and through our children via their schools. Perhaps you gave of your time and energy as you prayed for all of those affected or had the opportunity to volunteer in some way.

At the same time, other charities and institutions continue to thank us for our previous gifts, to inform us of their needs and ask for more. This issue of the DOME is no exception; it is a big “thank you” for your consistent and generous donations that partner you with the ministries of the Ursuline Sisters.

As worthy as all the “asks” might be, there are



times when it can feel like too much. Have you ever wondered, “Will it ever end? How much more can I give?” or heard yourself whisper, “I don’t have anymore (money, energy or time) to give.” This is known as compassion fatigue, a phenomenon that occurs as a result of giving and giving without replenishing. No organization or institution worth its weight in salt, wants to be the cause of such turmoil for its donors.

St. Paul writes that God loves a “cheerful giver” who doesn’t give “reluctantly or under compulsion.” With all the needs in the world, how are we to remain free,

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compassionate
and resilient
in our
giving?

Have
you ever
wondered
how
Jesus kept
giving with
the crowds
constantly begging
for more: "Feed us! Heal

my child! Make me walk! Make me see! Make me hear! Free me from this demon! Feed us some more!" What empowered Him to get up every morning and face the pain and suffering of the world and give so freely? What kept Him from throwing His hands up and declaring, "It's too much!" Are there any lessons from Jesus' life that we can learn so that we don't succumb to this burnout of giving?

Thankfully, yes.

First, Jesus stayed connected to God. Frequently, especially before a major event or decision or after a great amount of giving, Jesus goes off by Himself. We don't have a clear picture of what happened, but we can imagine He might have spent time resting from

what just happened or for what was about to happen. He might have reflected and pondered on the previous experience or the decision or action He was about to take. Then He prayed—He spoke to Abba about all of it

With all the needs in the world, how are we to remain free, compassionate and resilient in our giving?

and He listened. He might have spent periods of deep quiet, soaking up God's presence and receiving from the Source of all that is so that He could continue to give.

Second, He made sure His own needs were cared for. He ate when He was hungry. He slept when He was tired. He spent time with people who loved and cared for Him. Jesus took care of Himself. These were not selfish acts, but necessary ones for His ongoing ability to face whatever came to Him.



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Third, Jesus knew His limits—He knew He was not able to meet the needs and demands of everyone.ⁱ When He ascended back to Abba, there were still those who were sick, blind and deaf, lame and hungry, possessed and oppressed. He told us that those who are poor will always be with us.

If we give out of a sense of duty, responsibility or guilt, we will surely burn ourselves out. We are to give from our hearts, a place of love.

The quote from Paul gives us a final hint: We decide in our hearts who to give to and how. Biblically, our hearts are envisioned as the center of all our passions and energies, it is where our body, soul and spirit come together as one, it is the place where God dwells within us.ⁱⁱ If we give strictly out of a sense of duty, responsibility or guilt, we will surely burn ourselves out. We are to give from our hearts, a place of love.

Thank you for all you give and do. Thank you for your partnership with the Ursuline Sisters; and may we each be renewed daily in our mission to be an expression of God's love.

ⁱMatthew 13: 58; Mark 6: 5-6

ⁱⁱHenri Nouwen with Michael J. Christensen and Rebecca J. Laird, *Spiritual Formation: Following the Movements of the Spirit* (New York: HarperOne, 2010), p. xvii

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BY KATHY WILLIAMS



Sr. Janet Marie at UN headquarters next to a portrait of Dag Hammarskjöld Secretary-General of the United Nations, 1953 – 1961

For more information on UNANIMA, visit:
www.unanima-international.org

In October, Sister Janet Marie Peterworth attended her first meeting as representative of the Ursuline Charism Family on the board of directors of UNANIMA International. The name begins with “UN” to represent the United Nations, and the “ANIMA” is from the Latin word for feminine “spirit” or “life principle.” The U.S. Ursuline Charism Family is made up of independent Ursuline Communities and three U.S. Roman Union Provinces.

UNANIMA International describes itself as “a non-governmental organization (NGO) advocating on behalf of women and children (particularly those living in poverty), immigrants and refugees, and the environment.... for systemic change to achieve a more just world. The unique membership of UNANIMA consists of 20 congregations of Roman Catholic sisters whose 20,000 constituents work in over 80 countries. They bring their voices, concerns, and experiences as educators, health care providers, social workers, and development workers to the United Nations.” We are proud to have Sr. Janet Marie representing the Ursuline Charism Family at UNANIMA!

Congratulations to Sister Rita Dressman, the first associate director of the Sacred Heart Preschool on the Ursuline Campus. Sr. Rita was recently honored by the preschool with the gift of a star with her name on it, which will be on the vaulted ceiling of the Cathedral of the Assumption in Louisville. This recognition was presented in conjunction with the celebration of the 50th “Birthday” of the preschool, founded in 1967. Sr. Rita continues to serve in so many ways—including transporting fellow Sisters from Nazareth Home-Clifton several times a year to interact with the preschoolers through art, storytelling, music and more.



L to R: Sacred Heart Preschool Director Lisa Houghlin, Sr. Rita Dressman and SHS Director of Mission Effectiveness Amy Olson

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BY SR. JEAN ANNE ZAPPA

Thank you to all of the donors who have given thus far to the Chapel Preservation Fund! We have a brief update for you. As mentioned in the appeal mailing, we have some needed repairs to attend to, and we wish to have a preservation fund for future care of the chapel.

During our 2017-2018 fiscal year we replaced the carpet in the sanctuary. The chapel court, which is

I gave because:

It is a symbol for the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville which recognizes the centuries of prayer, hard work, dedication and support the Sisters have given to so many. My aunt, Sister Annette Rutledge, was an Ursuline Sister for about 75 years and it was given in her memory. —Pete Rutledge

the outer hallway that circles the sanctuary, is slated for repairs and improvements between 2017-2020 that include: repairing and protecting its windows;



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plastering and painting; and repairing the terrazzo floor. The major addition of an ADA accessible elevator will also be completed during this time frame.

It is because of your giving hearts that we will have the means to preserve this beautiful space as well as keep the chapel open as an awe-inspiring worship space for future generations.

For those who have not yet given, you still have an opportunity to contribute! Help us complete the repairs and add to the fund for future preservation. Donations may be mailed in the envelope found in this issue of the DOME.



2017 carpet replacement underway in the sanctuary



2017 new carpet in the sanctuary

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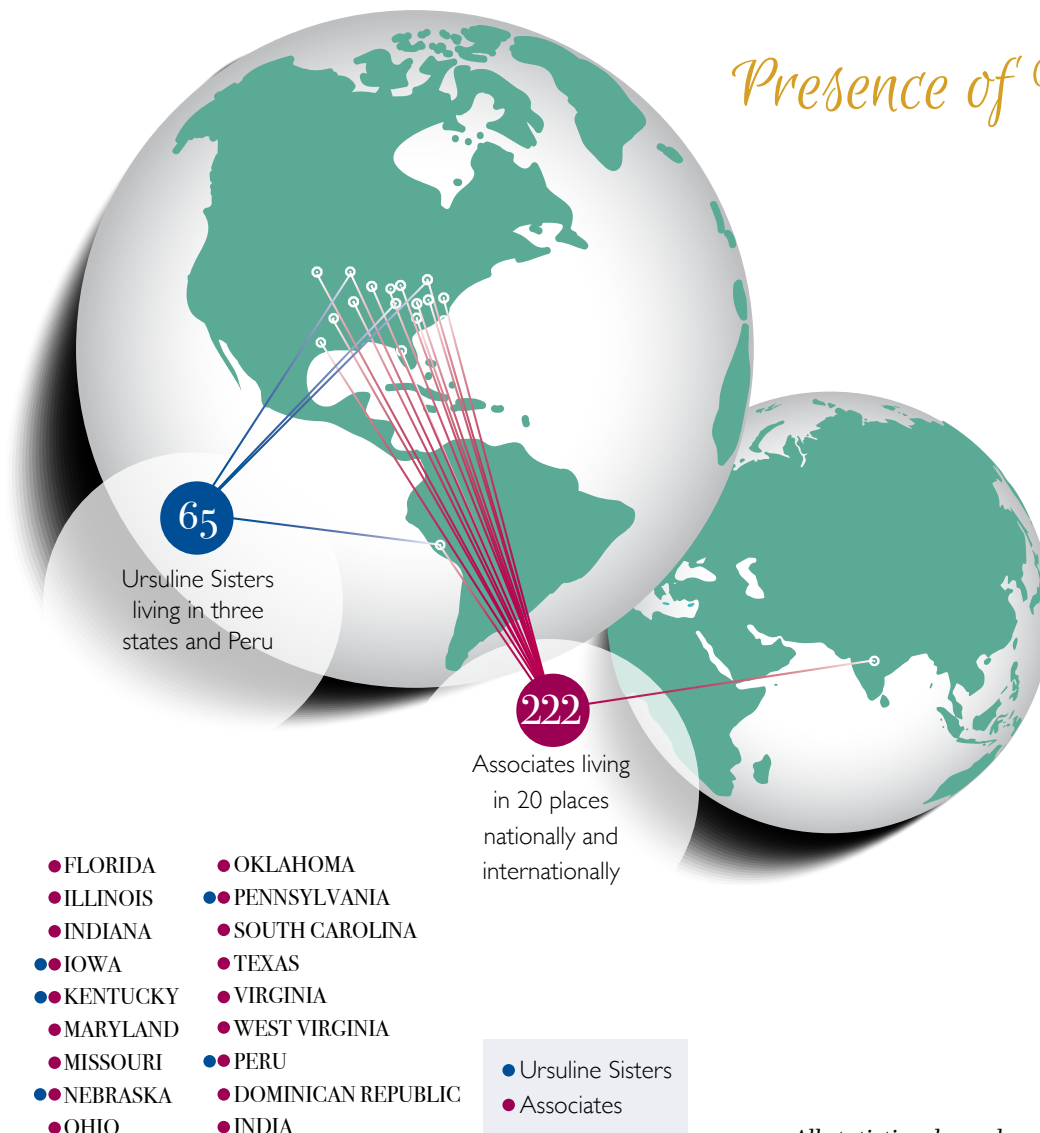
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Remembering Sister Evelina with Grateful Hearts



Sister Evelina (Roger)

Pisaneschi, 89, died at Nazareth Home-Clifton in Louisville, Kentucky, on September 19, 2017. Daughter of the late Roger and Louise Ermina Pioli Pisaneschi of Cumberland, Maryland, she entered the Ursuline Sisters of Louisville in 1946.

Sister Evelina graduated from Saint Mary elementary and high school in Cumberland, from Ursuline College in Louisville, earned a MA degree at The Catholic University of America and did postgraduate work at Spalding University, Louisville, and at Carlow College, Pittsburgh.

Her long ministry of education included teaching in Louisville at St. Elizabeth, St. Peter Claver, St. Boniface and Our Lady of Lourdes parish schools; at Sacred Heart Model School, owned by the Ursuline Sisters and one year as a lecturer in the education department of Bellarmine-Ursuline College [now Bellarmine University]. She served as principal at Holy Spirit, St. Therese and St. John Vianney parish schools also in Louisville. She was on the faculty of St. Boniface School in Evansville, Indiana; St. Francis de Sales School in Morgantown, West Virginia and Our Lady of the Most

Blessed Sacrament School in Pittsburgh. She then was assistant to the director of Ursuline Campus Services in Louisville until her retirement in 2005.

She continued in ministry by volunteering many service hours to her fellow sisters who resided in nursing homes. Caring for houseplants and gathering others to play cards or board games were another way she showed her love for others and nature.

In "My Legacy," written in July 2015, Sister said:

I have a great love for all the beautiful things in nature God has freely given us.

See them through His eyes. Enjoy the beauty of the heavens, the trees and plants, the insects (especially the butterfly and the lady bug).

Enjoy the calmness of the lakes, the warmth of the sun, the brightness of the moon and stars.

Sister's message to us in this poem is: "Be grateful, and above all, BE JOYFUL."

Sister Evelina is survived by her sisters, Janet Pisaneschi of Louisville and Patricia Pisaneschi Killen of Cleveland, Tennessee, many nieces and nephews and the Community of Ursuline Sisters and Associates.

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Remembering Sister Delores with Grateful Hearts



Sister Delores Kemper

(Charles Marie) died suddenly on September 30, 2017. She was 83 and had been an Ursuline Sister since 1953. She graduated from St. George School, Ursuline Academy, received a degree in elementary education from Ursuline College and a graduate degree from Spalding University,

all in Louisville.

“Dee” is remembered as generous with her time, a loving example to young children, always the teacher and so creative with what the rest of us might throw away! As Sr. Janet Marie Peterworth noted in the homily at the Funeral Mass – every egg carton, every plastic cup, every toilet paper roll, every paper towel roll, every straw, every bead or bauble had the potential to be turned into a learning device...something to count, stack, roll, paint, sort or pour; all to entertain as well as teach little ones!

And thus Sister Delores met the challenges of a primary teacher with these gifts in classrooms at St. Patrick School in Sidney, Nebraska; and in Louisville at Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, Our Mother of

Sorrows, St. Elizabeth, St. George, Pope John XXIII Consolidated (St. Martin & St. Augustine) and St. Joseph schools. She then ministered in the Montessori School on the Ursuline Campus for 20 years, the last 17 as administrator. Next she taught for five years and as a substitute teacher for five more at Kennedy Montessori School in the Jefferson County (KY) school system. She tried to retire but was called to mentor Montessori interns from Louisville area universities and Xavier University, Cincinnati. She volunteered—100 hours at SS Mary and Elizabeth Hospital and many more at Nazareth Home-Clifton, Kids Café Enrichment Program and as “manager” of the cake and bread booth at the Little Sisters of the Poor card party each year.

In the Old Testament reading that Sister chose for her Funeral Mass are the words: *Those who put others on the right path to life will glow like stars forever.* One can only imagine how many little ones Sister Delores put on the right path to life!

Sister Delores was the third of six children. She is survived by her brother, Raymond Charles Kemper Jr. (Mary Helen); sisters, Mary Rita Kemper Horn (Robert) and Gerry Kemper Gardner (Kenny); sister-in-law Evelyn Kemper; numerous nieces and nephews and the Community of Ursuline Sisters and Associates.

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