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## Young Adult News November 2022 Edition


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**Happy November!** As we enter this month of remembering our sainted family members and friends as well as those recently deceased, we come with reverence and faith in the promises of Jesus. Looking at their lives can help us to respond with greater faith and generosity to whatever Jesus is asking of us at this time.

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### Prayer

The month of November also calls us to gratefully look at our lives for the many blessings given to us each day. May we truly have an attitude of gratitude to see the goodness of God present with us throughout the day in the smallest of things. It causes our hearts to enlarge in joy and peace as we in turn become blessings for others. Thank you for who you are and what you do to grace the lives of others with Christ's love!



#### A Thanksgiving Blessing:

May an abundance of gratitude burst forth  
as you reflect upon what you have received.

May thanksgiving overflow in your heart,  
And often be proclaimed in your prayer.

May you gather around the table of your heart  
the ardent faithfulness, kindness, and goodness  
of each person who is true to you.

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## Vocation Awareness Week

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The week of November 6 - 12 is Vocation Awareness Week. It's a good time for us to consider what God is asking of us at this point in life. How is God asking me to be more open to respond with generosity to making Christ's presence known and loved more in the world. We would like to share with you Sister Kelley's story of how God moved within her life. How have you felt similar stirrings in your life path? Click the link below to listen. Also, check out our website if you are feeling drawn toward religious life; the link is below.

[Sister Kelley's Story](#)

[Visit our Website](#)

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## Spiritual Direction

God is inviting you to a deeper relationship. Would you like help on your journey? Spiritual direction can be a good way to go deeper. All of our team members are trained spiritual directors or can connect you with another sister who is. Click the link below to make your request.



Request to talk with a spiritual director

## Events

### Young Adult Events

#### Upcoming Events

We are offering some events to help you on your spiritual journey. Check out the fliers below and sign up for what speaks to your soul.

Click the link to register.

<https://forms.gle/n4Nn6JDTqCKJFppZA>

### Young Adult Silent Retreat

For 20 and 30 year olds  
looking for some time away  
with the Lord



November  
18 - 20, 2022  
Bethany Retreat  
Center,  
Chardon, OH

To register or for more  
information, contact  
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# ADVENT: AWAKE IN THE DARK

The dark of Advent is filled with the voice of a God who comes! How do we hear that Voice and the richness of the message?

An Advent Evening of Reflection  
for Young Adults  
with Sister Therese Dugan, SND



Sunday, November 27, 2022

7:30 - 9:00pm ET



To register or for more information,  
please contact Sr. Jenny at [vocations@sndusa.org](mailto:vocations@sndusa.org)



## THE CHOSEN: EVENING OF REFLECTION

Join us on your Advent journey for an evening of reflection and sharing based on "The Messengers," the Season 2 Christmas special of *The Chosen*. Experience Mary's journey to Bethlehem and Jesus' birth. Bring your open heart ready to receive the gift of God-With -Us. Please view "The Messengers" prior to this event, either on *The Chosen* free app or on YouTube.com (starting at 1:25:30).



For more information or to register,  
please contact Sister Jenny at  
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### HOPE for the Holidays

For Advent, the Sisters of Notre Dame are again reaching out to immigrants in detention centers. In Advent we think about Mary and Joseph traveling to Bethlehem and looking for a safe place to stay. Our immigrant sisters and brothers are doing the same. Thank you in advance for your help with reaching out to those in detention!





## Sending Holiday Greetings to those in Immigrant Detention Centers

In an effort to bring hope and light to thousands of migrants in the United States, Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service (LIRS) has launched its eighth-annual Hope for the Holidays campaign. The program collects cards for distribution at migrant detention centers across the country and at shelters along the border, reminding individuals and families that they are not forgotten during the holiday season.

Again this year, SND USA will participate in this project by encouraging sisters and associates throughout the Province to write messages of hope in holiday cards which will be sent to the detention facilities in which LIRS has partnerships. To learn more about LIRS, visit [www.lirs.org](http://www.lirs.org).

### IT'S EASY TO DO

Use store bought or hand-made cards.

Write your greetings in English, Spanish or another language in which you may be fluent. Some sample greetings are below in both English and Spanish.

Draw a picture or share your favorite poem, quote, or Bible verse to personalize the card.

Sign the card (first name and city/state).

Please be mindful of choking hazards on the cards, and be sure items such as poms, buttons or jewels are not on the cards. A little glitter is just fine!

Do **NOT** place your card in an envelope. It will be much easier to distribute the cards without envelopes.

Spanish words ending in "@": @ - Gender Neutral; a - Female; o - Male
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Dear friend,	Querid@ amig@:
Greetings from [city/state]. My name is [name].	Saludos desde [city/state]. Me llamo [name].
Merry Christmas.	Feliz Navidad.
Please know that you are not alonenor forgotten.	Quiero que sepa que no está sol@,ni olvidad@.
I am praying for you and your family.	Rezo por usted y su familia.
Please know that thousands of people are working to keep you and your family safe.You are not forgotten.	Miles de personas están trabajando para cuidar a su familia y a usted. No los hemos olvidado.
Never forget that we are praying and fightingfor you and your family.	Recuerde siempre que estamos orando y luchando por su familia y usted.
God's blessings and peace at Christmas and for the New Year.	Bendiciones de Dios y paz en Navidad y parael Año Nuevo.
May God bless you!	¡Que Dios l@ bendiga!

**Place your signed cards in one large manila envelope.**

**See the reverse page for drop off locations.**

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**DROP OFF/MAIL LOCATIONS**

**Chardon**

**Rocky River Residence  
3556 Rocky River Dr  
Cleveland, OH 44111  
Attention Sr. Patti Gentile, SND**

**St. Paschal Baylon Residence  
5354 Wilson Mills Rd  
Highland Hts, OH 44143  
Attention Sr. Carol Dikovitsky, SND**

**SND Center  
13000 Auburn Rd  
Chardon, OH 44024  
Attention Ann Clark, JPIC Office**

**Covington**

**St. Joseph Heights  
1601 Dixie Highway  
Covington, KY 41011  
Attention Sr. Rita Geoppinger, SND**

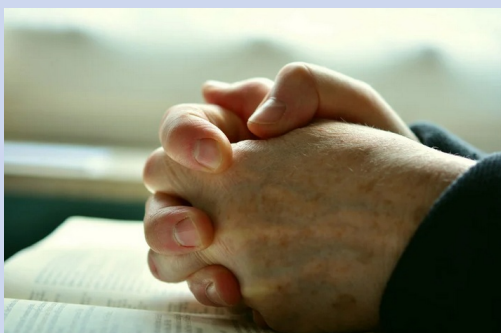
**California**

**Notre Dame Center  
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**Toledo**

**Sisters of Notre Dame  
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Maumee, OH 43537  
Attention Sr. Christine Marie Foos, SND**



## Prayer Requests

What intentions are on your heart that you would like us to join with you in prayer? Click below and share them with us so we can pray together.

Request Prayers

## Vocation / Young Adult Team

Sister Jenny Zimmerman, SND  
Sister Kelley Rush, SND  
Sister Val Roxburgh, SND  
Sister Ruth Lubbers, SND



[Team Bios](#)

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