

Actions

A Legacy of Caring for Children of the World

Then & Now: In 1865 Cornelia Connelly dared to dream of raising up a chapel, an orphanage, a novitiate, and a school. Today, in this Year of Mercy, the Holy Child Sisters dare to dream and act to build a world rooted in compassion and peace, especially for the poor and displaced.



DEAR FRIENDS,

In 2013, the American Province was selected to participate in *Advancing Mission: Women Religious in the 21st Century*. This three-year project offered through the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy at the University of Indiana was funded by the Conrad N. Hilton and GHR Foundations. The Province was one of only 13 congregations

privileged to participate in this initiative. This generous invitation resulted in the Province receiving \$150,000 to advance and strengthen the Society's mission today. The Advancing Mission project also extended expert resources from the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy to the Holy Child Sisters as they reflected on their history and planned for the future.

Inspired by this experience, the Mission Advancement team developed *Then & Now*, a story about the Society's funding priorities in 1865 and its present-day goals. Both sides of the story are calls to *meet the wants of the age*, as Cornelia Connelly put it, especially for future generations of children and communities in need. I invite you to read *Then & Now*, which can be found on the following three pages; it features the playfully persuasive words of Cornelia herself in a letter to her trusted friend and benefactor Colonel Towneley.

Holy Child Sisters today humbly recognize that in our past, present, and future, the American Province stands on the shoulders of many generous and committed people, especially our donors, collaborators, and friends. We deeply appreciate all their efforts and contributions,

with a special thanks to the Hilton and GHR Foundations for supporting the Advancing Mission project and to our donors listed in the 2014-2015 Annual Report, beginning on page 15.

In this edition of ACTIONS, enjoy reading about several Holy Child events, including the commitment ceremonies of SHCJ Associates; a special Advent prayer service; several alumni reunions; a national conference on racial justice co-hosted by the Province and Rosemont College; and the 2015 Appreciation Event. We also honor and recognize our 2015 Jubilarians beginning on page nine. As ACTIONS goes to press, we look forward to our 2016 Jubilee celebration on Saturday, June 25.

In closing, I invite you to read a lovely reflection by Mary Bryan, SHCJ, on how gardening and vocations "encourage life" and are extraordinary gifts. May you also find the extraordinary in the ordinary of your own lives – where God is present and active for your good.

With prayers and blessings for a happy and relaxing summer,

Gratefully,

Mary Ann Buckley, SHCJ

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American Province Leader

On Our Cover – *Then & Now*

The "Then" photo features an artist's rendering of the ruins in Mayfield, England, before the renovations in 1865. The "Now" image features Mary Alice Minogue, SHCJ, with a child in the Province's ministry in Fe y Alegría, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

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A Legacy of Caring for Children of the World

Then & Now: Cornelia Connelly founded the Society of the Holy Child Jesus to *meet the wants of the age*, and the Sisters' legacy flows from this vision. In 1865, Cornelia took action and courageously launched a significant project that focused on serving poor, abandoned children. She and her fellow Sisters raised funds to build several structures, including a chapel, an orphanage and a school on donated property in Mayfield, England. In today's terms, Cornelia organized her first capital campaign. One friend to support Cornelia's effort was Colonel Charles Towneley. With intelligence, wit, and humor, Cornelia asked the Colonel to "say the precious **yes** that will bring all these blessings..."



Above: Casa Cornelia Law Center in San Diego, CA, provides free legal services to protect and aid migrant children, including the small girl* in this photo

* Names omitted

While circumstances have changed throughout the centuries, the problem remains — children are abandoned, abused and displaced. This crisis, along with human trafficking, environmental issues, violence, racial injustice, and the threat of war spurs the Society to act in the 21st century. The Society seeks to provide relief and to advance its legacy of caring for children of the world. Similar to Cornelia's letter to Colonel Towneley in 1865, today's Province Leader has written a letter for ACTIONS inviting our friends, benefactors, and collaborators "to do great things for others."

As we celebrate the Society's 170th Anniversary and the Catholic Church's Jubilee Year of Mercy, the following pages offer a comparative glimpse into the *Then and Now* of advancing the Society's legacy of ministering with love, compassion, and zeal to under-served communities, especially to God's little ones.

Right: The American Province ministers to children and families living in Fe y Alegría, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, including the three children in this image*





Then and...

February 5, 1865

My dear Col. Towneley,

I want to beg a very great charity of you which I hope you will not refuse me. It is one that will be of treble merit – first as a charity to ourselves, secondly a very great one to five poor Orphans, thirdly, one that will bring many blessings on earth to you & yours & a rich reward in heaven we want to beg you to give an annual subscription of one hundred pounds, or a total subscription of five hundred pounds towards our contract for the building of the Mayfield Chapel. In return for which we will pledge ourselves to maintain five Orphans for five years & the daily communions of five of our sisters ... to bring blessings on you & yours for time & Eternity ... The building at Mayfield is to be appropriated as much to orphans as to the Noviciate & it is for the Orphans' share I now plead. We have four now waiting for entrance into such a portion of the building as we are able to give them – but we are £1300 short of money to complete the Contract for the Chapel. Your £500 would reduce the sum to £800, & this we are collecting by sous & centimes in France and Holland.

I propose an annual subscription that would not inconvenience you, because we could borrow the other four hundred & pay it annually as your subscription comes in. The Orphans we could support on the produce of the Farm & their own industry. Say yes – & blessings on you! – One little yes and a stroke of your pen on your cheque book will make many happy hearts & give five happy years to five poor Orphans, and a happy flow to your own good heart & you will have the whole back with the hundred fold for Eternity and this will be a thousand times better & more to you than the wealth of a gold mine! And your fields will produce better crops & your pasture better grazing & your cattle better stock - & may you say the precious yes that will bring all these blessings and draw the stroke of the pen with two round 0's behind it. Do pray.

*Ever yours faithfully in J.C.,
Cornelia Connelly*



HISTORICAL NOTES:

1865: The Society of the Holy Child Jesus was just 19 years old at this time when Cornelia Connelly received the gift of a large tract of land in Sussex County in the south of England, in the village of Mayfield. On the land were the ruins of the summer palaces of the Archbishop of Canterbury, a vestige of earlier centuries when England was a Catholic country. During the Catholic revival in the mid-19th Century, newly liberated English Catholics felt enormous enthusiasm for restoring such ruins for new uses in their Church. Cornelia dared to dream of raising up her own ruins as a chapel, an orphanage, a novitiate, a place for retired sisters, and a school that still flourishes today. At that time, destitute orphaned children abounded in industrialized England and the government did little except to place them in workhouses and release them, at the age of seven, to work in factories and mines. Cornelia turned to her friends and benefactors for help, and for two years she sent her Sisters two-by-two to Belgium, Holland, France and Spain to beg for the needed funds for these new initiatives. In preparing to found the Society, Cornelia reflected deeply on what she called "the wants of the age" and "the means of spiritual mercy to be exercised."

February 5, 2016

DEAR FRIENDS,

Like our founder Cornelia Connelly, Holy Child Sisters today rely on the generosity and support of friends to partner with us in meeting “the wants of the age.” The gracious support of your interest, your prayer, your friendship and your financial contributions has made it possible for us to do great things for others together. To respond to the pressing needs of our time we have committed ourselves to:

- *continue to live our mission to help people find God in the ordinariness of their everyday lives as well as in the extraordinary events that characterize our rapidly changing times;*
- *share Cornelia’s educational legacy by offering children and young adults a holistic education imbued with the values and skills needed to live as people of faith and service in our interdependent world;*
- *promote health, literacy and dignity among Haitian immigrants in the Dominican Republic;*
- *offer legal assistance to refugees and asylum seekers, many of them unaccompanied children at the United States’ border with Mexico;*
- *teach English as a second language to immigrant families and provide General Education Development (GED) programs to adults; and*
- *provide for the health and well-being of our Sisters at every stage of life.*

Your generosity has helped more than you can ever imagine toward the realization and continuation of these commitments, and it will keep on returning to you as satisfaction and abundant blessing in many forms because:

- *you are advancing the mission that has united Holy Child Sisters and our wide community of partners for over 170 years;*
- *you are responding to Pope Francis’ call to live the Year of Mercy by doing the works of mercy;*
- *you are alleviating some of the suffering that we all witness every day throughout our world; and*
- *you are tasting the joy that is God’s sure promise to those who extend themselves in mercy and compassion to others.*

We thank you for being with us as companions and friends who show God’s mercy to others, and we hope that you will continue to partner with us.

As Cornelia said to her good friend and benefactor, Colonel Towneley, “Say yes — & blessings on you! Do pray.” And we do pray that you will bring your commitment, compassion and financial assistance into our community of partners so that together we can increase the power of love in our world.

Ever yours faithfully in Christ.

Mary Ann Bradley, S#CT

2016:

The Catholic Church is observing the Jubilee Year of Mercy from December 8, 2015 to November 20, 2016. Pope Francis has challenged all Catholics to renew their practice of the works of mercy and to “enter into the heart of the gospel where the poor have a special experience of God’s mercy.” Today, too, the displacement and mass movement of people in all parts of the world has produced a migrant crisis of epic proportions, a reality that calls us daily to do the works of mercy and love in every way possible.



Students from Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, NJ, volunteer their time during spring break living out the corporal works of mercy in Washington, DC. – installing insulation for Habitat for Humanity; weeding and spreading compost at an urban farm; visiting the sick at a hospice center; and making gift bags for children who have lost loved ones



Sisters from the American Province and volunteers organize a food pantry at Divine Mercy Parish in Philadelphia, PA. In April 2016, more than 1,600 women, children, and men were served

Holy Child Sisters and Rosemont College Partner with National Conference on

RACIAL JUSTICE



President of Rosemont College Dr. Sharon Hirsh (at podium) and American Province Leader Mary Ann Buckley, SHCJ, welcome guests to TI2016 Conference

This past January, the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus joined Rosemont College as a partner site to host Trinity Institute's 45th National Theological Conference: *Listen for a Change: Sacred Conversations for Racial Justice*. Broadcasted live from New York City, the conference offered presentations by activists, scholars, authors, artists, and experts on racial inequality. Collectively, the speakers ignited life-giving, meaningful conversations on the racial issues of our time, including structural racism, mass incarceration, and policy change.

As a partner site, the SHCJ and Rosemont College invited local churches, colleges, and residents to attend the conference via webcast. Approximately 190 participants — Rosemont College students and faculty, Holy Child Sisters, neighbors and other guests — gathered in the College's Rotwitt Theatre to watch and listen to the New York City Conference in real-time.

The Conference began on Thursday evening, January 21, with a presentation by Michele Norris, a journalist and former host of National Public Radio's afternoon broadcast, *All Things Considered*. The following two days continued to offer dynamic speakers and panelists, including *New York Times* columnist Nicholas Kristof; Anna Deavere Smith, professor at New York University and founding director of the Institute on the Arts & Civic Dialogue; and Michael Curry, the first African-American elected presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church.

Following the presentations, participants gathered in reflection groups to discuss ways of eliminating current racial tensions. Director of SHCJ Associates Cathi Duffy and Holy Child Sisters Mary Hamilton and Helen McDonald served as the facilitators. Sr. Mary Hamilton began her breakout session by asking "What is racism, and how do you see it in your life?" Sister Mary shared that her group's conversation "took off" and continued for nearly an hour.

Rosemont College continued to address current racial tensions with a panel presentation on March 15. The Holy Child Sisters have encouraged friends to view the Conference's videos with friends and colleagues in an effort to stimulate conversations about racism.

If you would like to view the videos, please contact Holy Child Sisters at holychildsisters@shcj.org.

*Let us try day by day to do what
He would do, to speak as He would
speak, to think as He would think.*

- CORNELIA CONNELLY



Executive Director of Hope Partnership Rose Martin, RSM, and owner of Global Solutions, Inc. Desmondé Pringle engage in a conversation following a TI2016 presentation



Following the TI2016 presentations, participants gather in small break-out sessions to share their thoughts and opinions on racial inequality



Rosemont College students discuss the issue of race and racial prejudices in today's society

"We witnessed the enthusiasm of the students and the wisdom of the Sisters coming together to discuss racism. People said whatever they felt in a judgment-free environment. This could have been the first time that the students and adults openly dialogued about racism."

- Mary Hamilton, SHCJ



Coast to Coast,

SHCJ Associates Make Formal Commitments

SHCJ Associates started the New Year with a record number of 19 women and men making formal commitments to live the spirit and mission of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus. These commitment ceremonies took place in three states – California, New York, and Pennsylvania.

SHCJ Associates strive to embrace Cornelia Connelly's teaching to "be yourself but make that self just what Our Lord wants it to be." They cultivate a spirit of joy, compassion, reverence and an awareness of God's presence in their daily lives.

Today, the number of Associates in North and South America totals more than 350. To learn more about this ministry and how you can become involved, contact the Director of SHCJ Associates Cathi Duffy at associates-usa@shcj.org.

Congratulations and many blessings to our SHCJ Associates!



Holy Child Sisters Open Their Door



Following Pope Francis' example, the Holy Child Sisters *opened their door* on December 6, 2015, and invited friends, family and supporters to celebrate the Advent Season at New Sharon in Rosemont, PA. Guests arrived at the

Main Building to participate in a spiritual reflection and self-guided tour of the Society's collection of Nativity scenes from around the world.

The organizers of the event, Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, and Cathi Duffy, Director of SHCJ Associates for the American Province, created an atmosphere of joy and peace. They greeted guests and invited them to rest from shopping, decorating, and baking. Sister Catherine and Ms. Duffy encouraged the visitors to contemplate the meaning of Christmas while touring the crèches and enjoying a cup of hot chocolate.

Ms. Duffy shares, "we invited the community to reflect on how God loved them so much that he became human and how that love is still active today. By gathering people together in a peaceful setting, with the crèches

Top: Students from Holy Child School at Rosemont work together to complete the "Seek-and-Find Nativity Set" challenge

Below: Students from Holy Child School at Rosemont discuss the origin and features of one of the Nativity sets



serving as a focal point, this message came alive." Sister Catherine and Ms. Duffy were delighted that parents were accompanied by their children and grandchildren, who were fascinated with the variety of international depictions of the Nativity.

The exhibit remained on display for visitors from Holy Child schools and ministries throughout the first week of December. Holy Child School at Rosemont made special arrangements for its first and fourth grade students to participate in an Advent Reflection. A major highlight for the children was a "Seek and Find the Nativity Set" challenge, complete with a surprise gift. Thanks to the generosity of Rosemont Senior School alumnae, each child left with a small present.

Given the event's success, plans are underway for an Advent Reflection this year. We hope you can join us on Sunday, December 4, 2016 – the door will be open!



Above: Catherine Quinn, SHCJ, welcomes first and fourth graders from Holy Child School at Rosemont to an Advent program in the Main Building of New Sharon

Congratulations to our 50 Year Jubilarians



BARBARA BARTLETT, SHCJ (Sr. Donald Mary)

Sister Barbara shares that her journey of 50 years as a Holy Child Sister has been rich and varied. Born in Lake Forest, IL, she graduated from Holy Child High School in Waukegan and then attended the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, MN, for one year before entering the Society. She began her teaching ministry in Waukegan – first at St. Anastasia School and then her alma mater, Holy Child High School. She also taught at School of the Holy Child in Rye, NY, and Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, NJ.

In 1981, her desire to go to Africa was fulfilled. She taught in Ghana and Nigeria and then served in Province Administration in Nigeria. She feels that those years were a time of growth for herself and for the Society. For the next decade, she ministered at the Center for Renewal in Jos, Nigeria.

After serving in West Africa for more than 20 years, Sister Barbara returned to the United States. Living in the Sisters' community in

Washington, D.C., she found some very special friends – the developmentally challenged members of Bethlehem House. Her zeal was untiring in helping this community and in her outreach to Boys Town, college students, and visiting missionaries.

After 10 years in Washington, D.C., Sister Barbara responded to a call to live in community with the Holy Child Sisters in Rye, NY. This had brought new challenges and outlets for her apostolic heart. In November 2015, Sister Barbara returned to Washington, D.C., and reconnected with Bethlehem House and Howard University students. She became reacquainted with Boys Town and even tried something new – a volunteer ministry at Father McKenna Center, an agency in the Jesuit tradition serving poor and homeless men. Today, she continues to assist her community in Rye and volunteers with developmentally challenged adults and an anti-trafficking program. Looking ahead, Sister Barbara says, "In a spirit of gratitude I reverence the mission to rejoice in the new, which is yet to come."



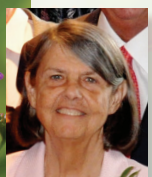
MARGARET MARY BELL, SHCJ (Sr. M. Jacqueline)

A graduate of Holy Child Academy in Sharon Hill, PA, Sister Margaret Mary has dedicated her 50 years as a Holy Child Sister to education. Her first nine years of teaching began in the Philadelphia area where she instructed students at Holy Spirit School, St. Leonard Academy, Holy Child School at Rosemont, and Holy Child Academy in Drexel Hill.

In 1976, she was missioned to Pasadena, CA, to be the principal of Mayfield Junior School of the Holy Child. Three years later, with a

master's degree in administration, she began working at Rosemont College where she served as the director of education for nearly three decades. During this time, Sister Margaret Mary also chaired and served on several of the College's faculty committees, and was an active member of state-wide organizations that focused on developing and conducting peer reviews of teacher certification programs. In 1989, she earned a doctoral degree from Syracuse University.

Throughout her ministries, Sister Margaret Mary developed a love for technology, which is called upon today in her role as Province Director of Technology. For the past five years, her apostolic ministry has centered on caring for her recently deceased parents.



CATHERINE CALLAHAN, SHCJ (Sr. M. Remigius)

Sister Catherine has embraced her 50 years as a Holy Child Sister with the gift of insight and creativity. After six years of successful teaching in the primary grades, she took a brief leave from the Society to discern her vocation. With renewed dedication, Sister Catherine returned to the Society in 1978 and taught at Our Lady of Lourdes in New York City for five years. From this experience, she has written moving accounts of teaching needy, lovable children. And to serve these students better, she spent a summer in Bogota, Columbia, to learn Spanish.

Following her teaching ministry, she became a drug and abuse counselor in the New York and New Jersey areas. Then in Washington, D.C., she was director of religious education at St. Anthony Parish and later at St. Matthias Parish in Lanham, MD. In both parishes, her gifts of creativity led to effective programs. Her desire to continue to work with the disadvantaged brought her to Hedgesville, WV, where she served as director of religious education until 2000.

Responding to an opportunity to serve at the National Arboretum in Washington, D.C., Sister Catherine has found herself in a most congenial atmosphere – close to nature where she had always felt close to God.



ELIZABETH GILMORE, SHCJ

(Sr. Madeleine Mary)

Contemplation and action have blended in the 50 years of Sister Elizabeth's religious life. A graduate of Mayfield School of the Holy Child Jesus in Pasadena, CA, she was able to spend a year of travel and study at College of Notre Dame in Belmont, CA, before entering the Society. Her teaching ministry began at St. Edward School in Philadelphia, PA; Mayfield Junior School of the Holy Child Jesus in Pasadena, CA; and Queen of the Angels School in Los Angeles, CA.

In 1971, Sister Elizabeth joined the pioneering Holy Child Sisters in Lo Barnechea in Santiago, Chile, where she served in a well-baby clinic. She was there on September 11, 1973, when the military coup occurred. A period of great suffering had ensued, especially for the poor. Sister Elizabeth took on the direction of several soup kitchens sponsored by Santa Rosa Parish.

After seven years ministering to the poor, Sister Elizabeth took a

sabbatical in Berkeley, CA, and at the hermitage in Sedona, AZ. She then taught for two years at St. Edward School in Philadelphia, before pursuing training in nursing.

Sister Elizabeth returned to Chile in 1982, and for 13 years worked in El Castillo in the southern part of Santiago, where she and Mary Tracy, a Maryknoll sister, provided nursing care and social service. During those years, Sister Elizabeth developed into a talented artist. Her artistic gifts were showcased in an art exhibit in 1994.

Faced with a painful back condition, Sister Elizabeth returned to California for treatment. And California has been her home ever since. She continues to work on her art, with her love of history and contemplation deepening over the years.

In many ways, she has created her own "hermitage" in a senior residence in Santa Barbara, which she describes as being "...surrounded by loud Mexican music and the delicious smell of tamales cooking, making this place quite close to heaven for me...as long as I can get up early to pray."



CAROL ANN KNIGHT, SHCJ

(Sr. Maria Sponsa)

As a freshman at West Catholic Girls' High School in Philadelphia, Sister Carol Ann first encountered the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus, who impressed her with their calm, peaceful demeanors and enormous capacity for kindness. Sister Carol Ann spent one year at West Catholic before transferring to Little Flower High School. She entered the Society immediately after high school graduation.

After profession, Sister Carol Ann taught for seven years at Holy Child School at Rosemont. She then taught for two years at Annunciation School in Washington, D.C., before moving to Waukegan, IL, where she spent 11 years. Upon arriving in Waukegan, she taught in a multi-age classroom, before serving as principal for the next 10 years.

A year in Rome followed her time in the Midwest. Then came four

years as principal of Holy Spirit School in Sharon Hill, PA, and two years as principal of the Lower School at Holy Child Academy in Old Westbury, NY.

Sister Carol Ann was named principal of Immaculate Conception School in Washington, D.C., where she was the first Holy Child Sister to minister. Back in Philadelphia, Sister Carol Ann, along with Sisters Rose Martin, RSM, began the important work of establishing Hope Partnership for Education, which is a center for children and adults in North Philadelphia. She then served for six years in provincial leadership, before spending a sabbatical teaching at the Candidacy House in Ghana, West Africa.

Currently, she ministers at Rosemont College in the Student Academic Support Center. As she looks back on 50 years filled with many enriching experiences, Sister Carol Ann says, "I am grateful for all the good things that I have enjoyed and for all the challenging experiences that have helped me grow."



BERNADETTE LONGTIN, SHCJ

(Sr. M. Lucien)

A graduate of Holy Child Academy in Sharon Hill, PA, and Rosemont College, Sister Bernadette entered the Society with a quiet sense of service which only deepened as she was called to fulfill a variety of roles over 50 years. With

an undergraduate degree in history and political science, she taught history and Latin at Holy Child Academy in Sharon Hill before entering the Society. After entrance, she taught history at the Rosemont Senior School and later served as principal of St. Leonard Academy and School of the Holy Child in Rye, NY.

In 1983 she was appointed provincial of the American Province. The following six years were filled with the joys and challenges of working

with the Sisters in fulfilling Cornelia's mission of "helping others to believe that God lives and acts in them."

After a sabbatical year at Weston School of Theology, Sister Bernadette studied at Boston College for her master's degree in social work and worked for nine years at Bridgewater State Hospital before being named director of Novices. Living Washington, D.C., she continued her ministry in clinical social work in a Catholic Charities program which provided transitional housing and supportive services for homeless families in the District. This ministry enabled her to attend a luncheon in honor of Pope Francis' visit to the city and where he interacted with the homeless population.

For Sister Bernadette, this jubilee is a celebration of all the people and experiences God has and continues to put in her life.

Congratulations to our 60 Year Jubilarians



JANE DAWLEY, SHCJ

(M. Mary Walter)

After spending her first 12 years of schooling at St. Mary School in Melrose, MA, and one year at Regis College in Weston, MA. Sister Jane responded to God's call and entered the Society in 1952. For the next six decades she dedicated her life to the meaningful work of teaching and counseling.

Sister Jane's teaching ministry began at Holy Spirit School in Sharon Hill, PA, and later at Assumption School in Pasadena, CA. For a number of her students there, English was a second language, and their determination to succeed left a lasting impression on her. In 1962, she returned to the East coast to teach at West Philadelphia Catholic Girls' High School for eight years before becoming the principal of Rosemont Senior School for four years.

For the next 25 years, Sister Jane was a counselor at St. Leonard Academy

in Philadelphia, PA, at Connelly School of the Holy Child in Potomac, MD, and then at Rosemont College in Rosemont, PA, where she spent 10 years. Having earned a master's degree in Counseling, Sister Jane established a counseling center at the College and developed a program for older adults that enhanced the Rosemont College Educational Advancement Program (REAP).

In 1989, Sister Jane welcomed the opportunity to serve with the Sisters of Mercy at Gwynedd Mercy Academy. There her counseling skills helped to make the seniors' transition from high school to college as smooth as possible. Sister Jane felt that Cornelia Connelly and Catherine McCauley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy, were kindred spirits whose charisms merged at Gwynedd.

To sum up her 60 years, Sister Jane shares, "I have been blessed to be a Holy Child Sister. The support I have received from my Sisters and the opportunities to develop spiritually as well as intellectually cannot be overstated."



MARY ANNE HAREN, SHCJ

(M. John Fisher)

Sister Mary Anne was born to teach, and she flourished in that role for almost 60 years of her religious life.

Growing up in New York as the only child of Irish-born parents, Sister Mary Anne was educated all her life by the

Holy Child Sisters at St. Walburga Academy. So it was no surprise to her family that she entered the Society immediately after graduation.

Sister Mary Anne's teaching assignments took her to Rosemont, PA, Washington, D.C., and New York City where she spent 10 years at Our

Lady of Lourdes School, followed by 17 years at St. Edward School in Philadelphia. During those years, she volunteered at Holy Child Center in Rosemont, PA and became fast friends with the Sisters and staff.

Moving back to Washington, D.C. in 1994, Sister Mary Anne taught for one year at Immaculate Conception School and then St. Anthony School in Brookland, where she was a cherished teacher and faculty member for 12 years.

Relocating to St. Eugene Parish in Primos, PA, Sister Mary Anne continued to minister through teaching, helping young children learn to read. After eight happy years at St. Eugene's, Sister Mary Anne moved to Holy Child Center where she lives today.



ELEANOR HAUCK, SHCJ

(M. Dennis Mary)

Sister Eleanor's generous spirit and kind heart led her to a variety of ministries. Born in Philadelphia, PA, Sister Eleanor lost her mother at the age of five. While cared for by her father and grandmother, she found

a nurturing community at St. Edward School, where the Holy Child Sisters served. Sister Eleanor remained connected to the Sisters throughout her high school years and in 1952, a year after graduating from John W. Hallahan Girls' High School, she entered the Society.

Sister Eleanor's teaching ministry spanned 23 years. She taught for the first five years in Philadelphia, PA, followed by 10 years in Portland, OR. She returned to Philadelphia to teach at St. Edward School and West Catholic Girls' High School. Following her time in Philadelphia, she relocated to Melrose, MA, to teach at St. Mary School.

In 1980, the year of her Silver Jubilee, Sister Eleanor embraced

a new ministry. She completed the Clinical Pastoral Education Program at Fitzgerald Mercy Hospital. She then served in hospitals throughout the country, including in Washington, Oregon, and New York. She then enrolled in the Health Perspectives Program at Rosemont College in an effort to cure her asthma. Impressed with the Program's holistic approach and cured of her asthma, Sister Eleanor was convinced of the program's efficacy and remained for an additional five years to assist the program director.

From 1995 to 2010, Sister Eleanor ministered in Florida, where she served in the Port Charlotte Parish, nursing homes, hospice care facilities, and Project Rachel. All of her teaching, leadership, and medical experience seemed to converge in preparation for this challenging ministry.

Now back in Philadelphia, Sister Eleanor finds her life coming full circle. She says, "God has traveled with me on many pathways and has widened my heart. Let us never stop growing, never stop learning, never stop opening our hearts to others."



NANCY LOGAN, SHCJ

(M. Joseph Sarto)

The youngest of 13 children, Sister Nancy was born into a fun-loving family that found great joy in dancing and being together. Sister Nancy and her family lived in St. Edward Parish in Philadelphia, where she was taught

by the Holy Child Sisters. She remained connected with the Sisters during her four years at John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls' High School and entered the Society in 1952.

Sister Nancy was an excellent teacher. She taught at St. Elizabeth School in New York for 11 years before moving to Portland, OR, where she spent seven years teaching at St. Rita and St. Charles Schools. In 1973, she returned to Philadelphia and began teaching at St. Edward School. Her quiet but strong leadership skills were recognized, and she was appointed superior at St. Edward Convent and then at Annunciation Convent in Washington, D.C.

In 1977, Sister Nancy received training in Group Dynamics at Hahnemann Hospital, where she honed her leadership and team-building skills. She relied on these skills as assistant principal at St. Elizabeth School and when she was named superior of Holy Child Center in 1981. Trained in gerontology, she served aging Province members.

Sister Nancy was a full-time student at the University of California, Los Angeles, after which she was assigned to Pastoral Care for the elderly at St. Elizabeth Parish in New York. Her patience and sharp listening skills inspired confidence in the seniors while she, in turn, felt privileged to serve them. A full program blossomed under her leadership when she recruited volunteers for this important outreach. Later, while living in Bryn Mawr and Rosemont, she continued to volunteer her time and talents at Holy Child Center and neighboring nursing homes. Today, Sister Nancy makes her home at Holy Child Center. While her vision has diminished, her compassion and concern for others remains vibrant.



THERESE (Terri) MACKENZIE, SHCJ

(M. Ellen Mary)

Born in Chicago, IL, and educated by the Holy Child Sisters at St. Ignatius School, Sister Terri embraced the Holy Child spirit at an early age. She entered the Society after graduating from high school.

Following her profession in 1955, Sister Terri taught for five years each at St. Anastasia School in Waukegan, IL and Our Lady of Humility School in Zion, IL. She returned to St. Anastasia School in 1965 to serve as principal. Two years later she was named principal at Annunciation School in Washington, D.C. In 1970, she was appointed provincial of the Rosemont Province. Of those years, Sister Terri has written: "I am forever grateful for the Sisters who modeled "elasticity of heart" for me during those transformative years. After serving on the Province's leadership team, she returned to teaching for six years at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit, NJ.

In 1971, Sister Terri heard a call for justice while attending the

Extended General Chapter meeting in Oxford, England, which she followed the rest of her life. In 1980, she joined Global Education Associates; represented the National Catholic Education Association at the United Nations; and continued to deepen her understanding of the connections between the SHCJ charism and new cosmology.

Sister Terri has given voice to her convictions in creative ways, including composing "Incarnate Mystery," a hymn for the 1996 Jubilee Celebration, publishing poems, and initiating the EcoSpirituality Group, which exists to strengthen members' understanding of the interconnectedness of all creation and the divine presence within it. Her Advent and Lenten resources, media, and blogs (www.ecospiritualityresources.com) have widened her circle of influence to a global audience. An article in *National Catholic Reporter* listed her resource for *Laudato Si'* as #2 among five "standout" resources for that document. Sister Terri comments on her years of profession: "My years have not only been fulfilling; they have also been transformative."



CATHERINE QUINN, SHCJ

(M. Ignatius Mary)

During high school, Sister Catherine, noted for her sense of humor, commuted over one hour from her home in the Mt. Airy section of Philadelphia to attend St. Leonard Academy, where she was taught by the Holy

Child Sisters. Within the first few days of high school, she recalled saying to her family that "these Sisters really care about us." And after struggling with God over her call to religious life, Sister Catherine entered the Society in 1952.

A teacher for the first 11 years of her professed life, Sister Catherine was then appointed postulant director in 1966. She continued as formation director while earning a master's degree in Theology from Marquette University in 1969. She had immersed herself in the study of scripture and the spirituality of Cornelia. After one year of ministering at St. Leonard Academy, she pursued a Certificate in Spirituality at St. Louis Divinity School. Thereafter, Sister Catherine

continued to work with the Society's formation program and others. She also served as superior and area superior during a changing time for both the Church and the Society.

In 1977, Sister Catherine founded the Rosemont Spiritual Center. She created a place of peace and harmony for the Sisters, religious communities, and individuals of all denominations. She led workshops, prayer groups, and retreats. During this time, she developed into an interior decorator. Her talents have been widely utilized, including the Provincial Offices and Main Building on New Sharon campus, and other Province-wide community residences.

In 1995, Sister Catherine moved from the Spiritual Center and embraced apartment living. She began a ministry of "hallway, elevator, and laundry room" spiritual companionship with her neighbors. With a group of far-seeing lay women and men and a few Sisters, she organized the Associates Program in the American Province. Today, Sister Catherine continues to serve on the core team for the Associates.

Congratulations to our 60 Year Jubilarians *continued*



ROSEMARY RITCHIE, SHCJ

(M. Mary Alice)

A "St. Edward's girl," Sister Rosemary attended elementary school at St. Edward School and high school at John W. Hallahan Catholic Girls' High School in Philadelphia, PA.

She eventually returned to her roots at St. Edward School to teach and to serve as assistant principal from 1971 to 1974.

Blessed with a cheerful disposition, Sister Rosemary was a well-loved and admired teacher. She taught in Philadelphia at St. James School for nine years and at Holy Spirit School in Sharon Hill, PA, for three years. She then moved to Pasadena, CA, where she taught for two years at Assumption School. Upon returning to the Philadelphia area, Sister Rosemary taught at Holy Child School at Rosemont for four years

before taking a sabbatical year in Washington, D.C., at the Washington Theological Union.

Still devoted to the classroom, Sister Rosemary divided the next 10 years between teaching at Holy Child Academy in Drexel Hill, PA, and Annunciation School in Washington, D.C. This led to a 12 year ministry at St. Mary of the Assumption School in Philadelphia, where she served as principal and was indispensable to the pastors at both St. Mary Parish and St. Lucy Parish. As a pastoral minister in both parishes, she visited hospitalized parishioners. Sister Rosemary came to be known and loved by the entire area.

In 2014, failing vision brought Sister Rosemary to Holy Child Center in Rosemont, PA. Although her sight is weak, Sisters Rosemary's joy and compassion remain undimmed.



JOANNE SULLIVAN, SHCJ

(M. Constance Mary)

A graduate of Holy Child Academy in Sharon, PA, Sister Joanne is a gifted musician who was frequently called on to perform as the Society's organist. After profession, she taught on the east coast for 16 years, including at

St. Edward School in Philadelphia, St. Leonard Academy in Philadelphia, Annunciation School in Washington, D.C., Archbishop Prendergast High School in Upper Darby, PA. Sister Joanne then moved west, where she was principal of St. Rose School in Portland, OR, for four years and taught at Cornelia Connelly School of the Holy Child in Anaheim, CA, for three years.

In 1978, Sister Joanne was called to West Africa where she taught at Holy Child College in Cape Coast, Ghana -- an experience that has had a

lifelong impact on her. On her return, she taught at School of the Holy Child in Rye, NY, for one year before attending St. Louis University for post-graduate studies in theology. She then served as director of religious education at St. Peter and St. Paul in Upland, CA, and in 1986, received her certification as a Spiritual Director.

From 1985 -1996, Sister Joanne served as campus minister at Rosemont College. Her role as campus minister helped to prepare her for the next 10 years when she served as director of the Spiritual Center in Rosemont, PA. Sister Joanne delighted in carrying on the important work of the Center, which was a magnet for people who were looking for guidance in developing their spiritual lives.

Today, Sister Joanne continues her ministry as sacristan, liturgist, and spiritual minister at Holy Child Center in Rosemont. Even as a cancer survivor, her passion to serve remains stronger than ever.



JOANNE WEGENER, SHCJ

(M. Mary Julia)

A graduate of Holy Child School in Waukegan, IL, Sister Joanne has a pioneering spirit and deep desire to respond to God's call.

Sister Joanne taught at St. Veronica School in Chicago, IL, served as assistant postulant mistress in Rosemont, PA, and principal of Holy Family School in Portland, OR. In 1973, Sister Joanne received a master's degree in Religious Education from the University of San Francisco.

Eager to share the vision of Christianity and the Church, Sister Joanne served as director of religious education at St. Justin Church, Anaheim, CA and a religion teacher at Assumption School, Pasadena, CA. In 1974, she accepted an invitation to serve at the newly-formed

pastoral catechetical training center in Roma, Lesotho, where she lived and worked closely with the Sisters of the Holy Names. From the start, Sister Joanne's ministry required many roles -- learner, educator, and agent for change. Perhaps of greatest significance to her was the opportunity to be of service to disenfranchised women and children of the Roma Valley. "I felt like a daughter of Cornelia and experienced her presence with me," she wrote.

Following her mission in Lesotho, Sister Joanne returned to the United States and reconnected with family and friends in Waukegan. She then spent four years in Florida where she joined the Holy Child Sisters in their outreach to the elderly.

Since 2004, Sister Joanne has been living in Milton, WI, not far from her family and the Holy Child Sisters in Waukegan. She continues her prayerful life and gives thanks for all of her blessings.

Congratulations to our 70 Year Jubilarian



KATHERINE TRACY, SHCJ

(M. Mary Ignatius)

Sister Katherine has demonstrated remarkable perseverance and zeal during her seven decades as a Holy Child Sister. Born in Chicago and a member of St. Ignatius Parish, she entered the Society in 1942.

Her first 10 years of teaching were at Holy Spirit School in Sharon Hill, PA, and St. Ignatius School in Chicago, IL.

In 1955, Sister Katherine was missioned to Nigeria where she taught math and English in four Holy Child schools. She was also a faculty member at Holy Child College in Cape Coast, Ghana. Returning to the United States during the Biafran War, she focused on her studies first in Chicago and then in Rome. In 1971, she returned to Ghana for five years to be principal of the Women's Training College in Bolgatanga and a pioneer in the opening of the near-by Zuarungu Secondary School.

Returning to Chicago, Sister Katherine received a certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education which she put to good use at St. Francis Hospital in Evanston, IL, and later in Mississippi and Arkansas. Her ministry in the South also included five years as an English teacher at Mary Holmes Junior College in West Point, MS.

By 1985, Sister Katherine was ready to "slow down." For her, that meant serving as a nurse's aide, then a librarian and an assistant in the Sisters' community in Rye, NY. In 1996, her life came full circle when she returned to St. Ignatius Parish to serve as a member of the Ministry of Care Team for five years before moving to Marian Woods in Hartsdale, NY. Throughout her life, Sister Katherine was a prolific writer. She contributed regularly to the Society's *Voices* and wrote a short biography of former president of Rosemont College and provincial, Mother Mary Boniface. Today, Sister Katherine continues her life of prayer at Holy Child Center, Rosemont, PA.

In the next edition of ACTIONS, we look forward to featuring our 2016 Jubilarians!

Rememberances



Sister Joan McIntyre, SHCJ

(M. Mary Janet)

November 2, 1931– December 4, 2015

For 60 years, Sister Joan ministered with practicality and great interest in people – qualities she undoubtedly inherited from her family. Sister Joan attended West Philadelphia Catholic Girls' High School, where she was drawn by the joyous spirit of Mother Mary Terence, SHCJ.

After graduation Sister Joan went to work for one year and, in 1950, she entered the Society. Three years later she began her teaching ministry at St. Edward School in Philadelphia. A year at St. Lucy School preceded her move to Holy Family School in Portland, OR. Sister Joan taught there for nine years. After four years at Assumption School in Pasadena, CA, she returned to St. Edward School where she was principal for eight years.

In 1982, she enjoyed a sabbatical in Berkeley, CA, and remained there for another year to earn a master's degree in Applied Theology. On her return to Philadelphia, Sister Joan worked in the Social Service Department of St. Gabriel Hall for five years. Later she was a counselor at Rosemont College and Cardinal Dougherty High School. She also served in the Shalom Program until 2001. In her retirement, Sister Joan continued to help anyone in need.

To read fuller descriptions of the Sisters' ministries, visit "Sisters Remembered" at www.shcj.org/american under "Pray with Us."



Sister Ann Schwarz, SHCJ

(M. Mary Theophila)

December 21, 1932 – December 14, 2015

Sister Ann's relationship with the Society was extensive and enduring. She had the distinct privilege of being related to Cornelia Connelly, Founder of the Society, through her father who was a direct descendent of Adeline Duval, Cornelia's oldest sister.

As a gifted and beloved teacher who masterfully connected with her students, Sister Ann taught for 25 years in schools on both coasts: Holy Child Academy in Drexel Hill, PA; St. Leonard's Academy in Philadelphia, PA; Holy Child School at Rosemont, PA; Holy Family and St. Charles Schools in Portland, OR, and Mayfield Junior School in Pasadena, CA. She also taught at St. Anastasia School in Waukegan, IL.

Sister Ann's next 20 years (1981-2000) of ministry were devoted to religious education in parishes throughout the country, including Cape Coral, FL; Bayonne, NJ; Philadelphia, PA; Washington, DC; Littleton, CO; Charlotte, NC; and Bryn Mawr, PA. Sister Ann brought creativity and inspiration to catechetics, especially through music and dance.

Sister Ann was an avid practitioner and expert in Tai Chi, which she continued to teach even after she retired from active ministry. She lived her remaining years at Holy Child Center and welcomed all with a warm smile and prayerful spirit.

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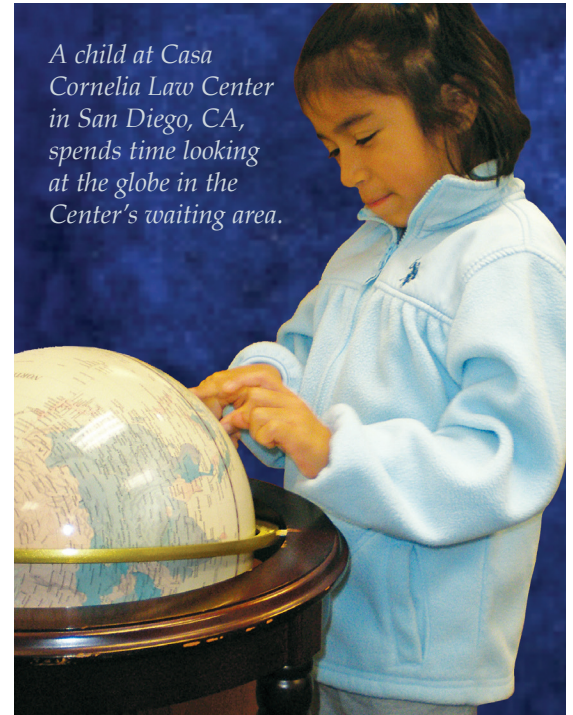
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Alumnae from the Class of 1982 at Holy Child School, Cape Coast, Ghana, visited with the Sisters at Holy Child Center in Rosemont, PA, in October. The women celebrated the Eucharist in the New Sharon Chapel and ate dinner with the Sisters. The graduates were celebrating their 50th birthdays and chose to celebrate this milestone birthday with the Sisters.

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Why I Give....

Tracy and I were enlightened to hear how the Society has grown throughout the world and remain inspired by the Sisters' work. We have had recent conversations on helping the Society in the future, particularly when we are no longer here. As a result, Tracy and I have decided to include the Society of the Holy Child Jesus in our estate plan and become official members of the Cornelian Society.

- Honorable Richard C. and Tracy Hare

Summary of Annual Appeal Giving

Alums	\$137,073
Academy of the Holy Child - Cheyenne, WY	\$ 100
Academy of the Holy Child - Portland	\$ 8,674
Holy Child Academy - Sharon Hill, PA	\$ 38,327
Holy Child High School - Waukegan, IL	\$ 22,205
School of the Holy Child - Suffern, NY	\$ 12,360
School of the Holy Child, Senior School - Rosemont, PA	\$ 5,065
St. Leonard's Academy - Philadelphia, PA	\$ 32,070
St. Leonard's Boys School - Philadelphia, PA	\$ 3,875
Annunciation School - Washington, DC	\$ 325
Holy Spirit School - Sharon Hill, PA	\$ 7,797
St. Anastasia's School - Waukegan, IL	\$ 450
St. Edward's School - Philadelphia, PA	\$ 1,015
St. Elizabeth's School - New York, NY	\$ 100
St. Ignatius School - Chicago, IL	\$ 2,600
St. Mary's School - Melrose, MA	\$ 200
St. Rose Parish School - Portland, OR	\$ 200
West Catholic Girls High School - Philadelphia, PA	\$ 1,710
Family	\$ 69,817
Friends	\$152,399
Archdioceses	\$ 22,548
Associations	\$ 5,700
Corporations/Foundations	\$ 85,098
Matching Gifts	\$ 7,986
Schools	\$ 9,306
United Way	\$ 5,833

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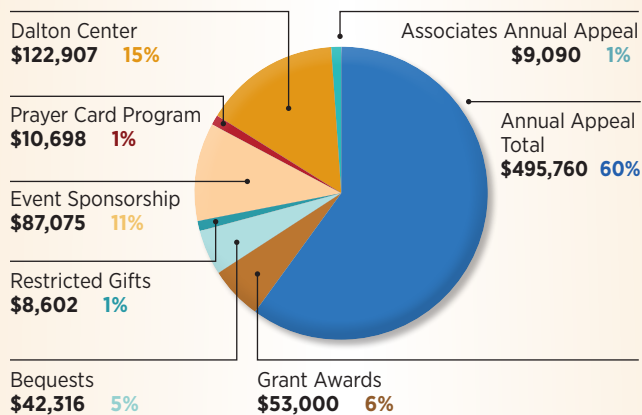
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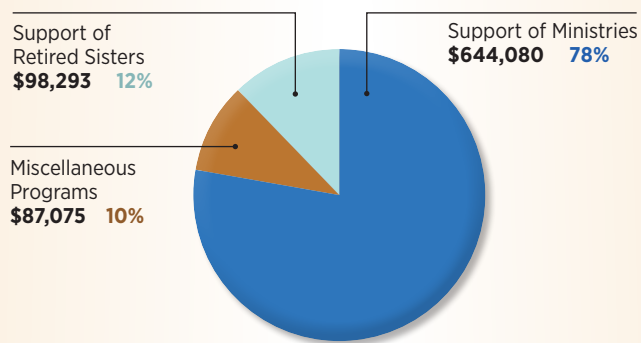
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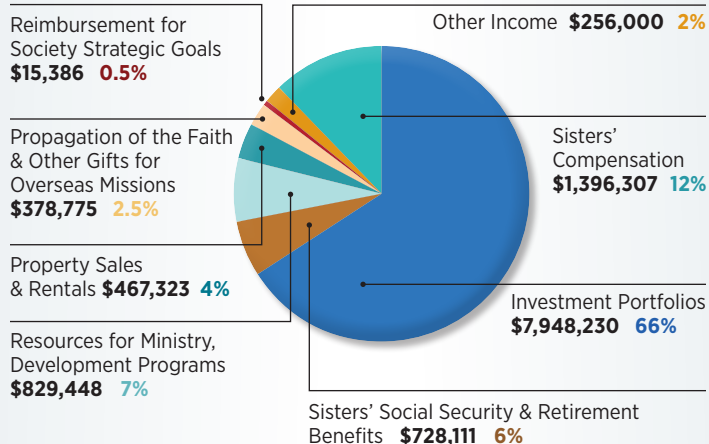
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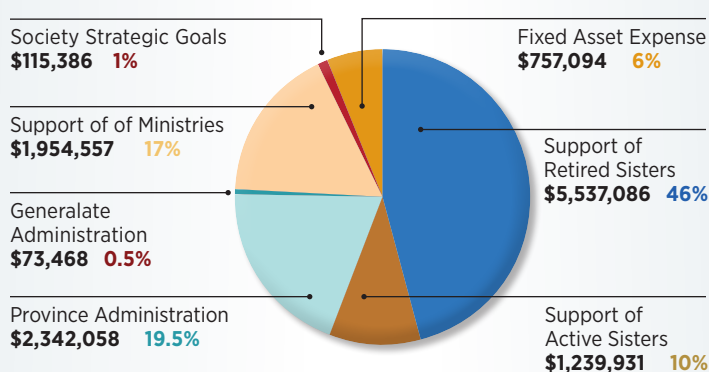
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Holy Child Academy Reunion, Portland, OR

Right: Co-chairs of the reunion Carol Coulter McMenamin '72 and Kathy Cordes, SHCJ, '65 welcome nearly 200 alumnae to the reunion



Above: Members of the class of 1973, the last graduating class from Holy Child Academy



Left: Members of the class of 1968 were among the 200 alumnae in attendance, including (left to right) Lisa Bonaduce Donaca, Karen Gosser, SHCJ, MaryBeth Zenner O'Donnell, Francy Wachsmuth Wilkins and Frances Michaud Makowski



Above: Carol Coulter McMenamin, Peggy O'Harrow Lynch, Mary Ann Ring Stephens, Jeanne Galvez Yerkovich, and Pamela Shoen, members of the class of 1972, attend the reunion

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Above: Bernadette Constantine Sullivan, Kathleen McNichol Hamil, Stephanie Fleetman, Linda Bluebello, Marion Gentry, and Christine Santoro Shaner, members of the class of 1970, attended the all-class reunion



Right: Executive Director of Providence Center David Chiles thanks the Sharon Alum Association for donating \$3,000 to the Center. The Association also gave \$2,000 to Holy Child Center's music therapy program

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SLA Alum Association Executive Committee presented a \$1,000 gift to Eileen McDevitt, SHCJ, for Washington School for Girls. (from left) Connie Hamilton, Eileen McDevitt, SHCJ, Cathy Glatts, and Mary Pat Walsh



Right: Joan Miller '51 and her daughter Mary celebrated the Class of 1951's 65th reunion

2015 Holy Child Awards Dinner

On Thursday, March 19, 2015, the Seventh Annual Holy Child Awards Dinner was hosted in Newtown Square, PA. Madeline Sherry, Esq. received the Faith in Action Award and Annie O'Brien received the Holy Child Spirit Award. We would like to thank those who provided support through sponsorship, general donations and congratulatory and business ads in the program book. The proceeds generated from this event benefited those served by the Society's ministries.

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2015 APPRECIATION MASS & BRUNCH

A Love Full of Action



This past October, the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus hosted their annual Mass of Appreciation & Brunch at New Sharon in Rosemont, PA. Before the liturgy, Mary Ann Buckley, SHCJ, Province Leader, welcomed the guests and expressed the Sisters' heartfelt appreciation to

the SHCJ Associates, alumnae, benefactors, and friends for advancing the Society's mission.

Father David Grover, a friend of the Society and nephew of Veronica Grover, SHCJ, presided at the liturgy. St. Leonard's Academy alumna Sally Coll '65 and Chair of the Province's Mission Advancement Advisory Board and Rosemont Senior School alumna Stephanie Walsh Beilman '67 served as readers. The Prayers of the Faithful were read by Barbara Quaintance of Hope Partnership for Education and Benjamin Figueroa of Providence Center.



Students (top) from Holy Child Academy, Drexel Hill, PA, and Joan Canavan and Karen Dunn present the offertory gifts

Following the liturgy, the guests gathered for brunch, where Sister Mary Ann announced that 10 friends had joined the Cornelian Society in the past year. These individuals have remembered the Society in their will or as a beneficiary of their life insurance policy. Two new members – June Matthew Freeman and Miriam Passarella – were recognized during the brunch and presented with a Cornelian Society pin.

Special recognition was also given to Drexel University's Walter H. and Leonore Annenberg Dean and Senior Vice President of Medical Affairs Daniel Schidlow, M.D. Dr. Schidlow volunteered his time and expertise to translate a book on the life of Cornelia Connelly from English to Spanish.

To learn how to support the Holy Child ministries through the Cornelian Society or other gift options, please contact Sandy Lovascio, Director of Mission Advancement, at slovascio@shcj.org or 610.626.1400, ext. 301.



The Handbell Choir from Holy Child School at Rosemont perform during the Mass



Above: Benjamin Figueroa of Providence Center and Barbara Quaintance of Hope Partnership for Education read the Prayers of the Faithful

Left: Province Leader Mary Ann Buckley, SHCJ (center) welcomed Miriam Passarella (left) and June Matthew Freeman to the Cornelian Society. Sally Coll (right) accepted the recognition on behalf of her mother, Mrs. Freeman



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“Generosity, generosity, generosity must be the beginning and ending of our life.”

– Cornelia Connelly





The extraordinary gifts God gives us in our vocations and gardens!

Religious Communities nationwide were invited to submit a reflection on "what gardening and gardens mean to them" and "how gardens enhance vocations" for *Visions Vocation Guide*.

We hope you will enjoy the following reflection by Mary Bryan, SHCJ, on her experiences with gardening and how gardens, like vocations, encourage life, nurture the soul, and remind us of God's beauty.

"One is nearer to God's heart in a garden than anywhere else on earth."



"I happened upon this quotation on a plaque in a garden at Cape May Point, New Jersey. I identified with the words immediately. Only God could have thought of gardens and flowers with their colors, fragrances, and textures!"

Of course, the vegetable garden is of great importance, especially with today's concern for feeding the poor. But living in an area where deer, rabbits, groundhogs, and squirrels run freely, we must satisfy ourselves with a few grape tomato plants and some herbs. The rest of the garden is flowers.

That flower garden, especially in spring and summer, brings us great joy. I particularly love the zinnia flowers. This plant is fun to watch grow from seed and quite undemanding, as it requires little moisture. Zinnias come in the brightest of colors and have long sturdy stems, making cutting and decorating sheer joy. Our community uses them, along with other garden flowers, to enhance the tabernacle altar in the Chapel, and I know that strengthens our prayer and devotion.

How does the Holy Child Sisters' garden enhance vocations? I think by encouraging life. Like a garden, vocations have deep roots and an abundance of growth. Vocations support our desire to grow spiritually and become the people we are meant to be – as God made us. Vocations are surrounded by nourishing and nurturing environments that praise God by just being. Like gardens, vocations invite God to be closer to us and tend to the contemplative aspects of life that help inform our actions.

What extraordinary gifts God gives us in our vocations and gardens!"





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