

Racine Dominican Associates Friday Night Check-In May 10 2024

A Busy 11 Day Glance:

- 15 May 2024, 9-10 AM CT Crew via Zoom
- 15 May 2024, 5-6 PM CT Intercommunity Book Study via Zoom on 'Hounds of the Lord: Dominican Saints by Kevin Vost
- 17-19 May 2024, **Associate Retreat at Windhover.** Sacred Circles, S. Miriam Brown's presentation on prayer, free time, Reiki, walking meditation, great food, Associate designed prayer service, + new "Speed Relating" questions, & a "Conversation with S. Maryann McMahon" at our Saturday AM Monthly meeting. *Free* Stay at Windhover.
- Note: Please bring your \$15 cash or check (NO credit card!) donation for <u>each</u> Noon meal at Siena.

 Please let the Associate Office know if you would like your Noon meals covered during the Retreat.
- 19 May 2024 DEADLINE for Associate Annual Reflections to Associate Office.
- 21 May 2024, 1:30 PM, **Wildflower Seed Ball Making Session** for Sisters & Associates, Green Dining Room, Siena. The dirt and seeds we turn into seed balls will be launched into the prairie area of Siena during the "Walk to Celebrate Mother Earth" on May 25. Dirt, wildflower seeds, and treats provided. *See attached flyer*.

On the Horizon:

- 23 May 2024, 6:30-7:30 PM Virtual Craft Circle for ALL of us
- 25 May 2024, 9 AM **Walk to Celebrate Mother Earth at Siena.** Walk the land of our campus with us as we bless the ravine, the beach, the prairie and our gardens as part of *Laudato Si'* Week! *See attached flyer*.
- **SE Wisconsin Associate Help Needed!** Do you have plant pots or planters that you are not using? The <u>Garden of Eatin' needs new or gently used plant pots</u> for some special vegetables for the Sisters' Dining Room. The Green Thumb Brigade and Chef Jasen will use most any size pot or planter you give, large or small. Thanks for dropping them off at the front desk of Siena!

Continue to Care for Creation This Week By:

- Put eggshells and/or wood ash around plants to drive away slugs.
- Get out in nature! Visit regional nature preserves and parks
- > Patronize second hand or thrift shops for needed items or clothing.

Our Racine Dominican Direction Statements for 2022-2026:

As a community of Racine Dominican Sisters and Associates led by the Spirit: We commit to being a contemplative presence as we collaborate with Earth and all peoples, responding to social injustices with voice, action, and resources, especially as expressed in Laudato Si'.

We commit to discerning a vision of our emerging future through prayer, courageous conversation, collaboration, and action.

Our Racine Dominican Associate Goals:

- ~ Grow as a holy, ever-evolving, flourishing community.
 - ~ Support our Mission Partners & other ministries.
- ~ Live out our Dominican Charism & Mission together.

The hardest part of birth is called transition. This is where we are.

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