

# Racine Dominican Associates Friday Night Check-In <mark>August 9, 2024</mark>

# A Week of Connection:

August 5, 2024. Our **Back to School Supply Drive** for Congregation of the Great Spirit's (CGS) was SO very successful! Thank you all for your phenomenal generosity for kids in need. August 1-31, 2024. Associates are on a meeting vacation (mostly) in August. However, Mare will buy you a brew at the Douglas Avenue Starbucks on August Wednesdays, 9-9:30 AM. August 11, 2024. Peace Associates in Niskayuna, NY are having their Associate Commitment **Ceremony** at 1:30 PM CT. And we are invited! We know Mary Ellen Powers from the OP Intercommunity Book Group – she is one of two candidates making commitment. August 13, 2024, 4:30 PM, Siena Chapel. Father Garrett Gundlach SJ, son of Associates Catherine & Doug Gundlach, will preside at 4:30 Mass. August 14, 2024, 5 PM-6 PM. **Dominican Inter-Community Book Study** starts again. (FLYER) August 15, 2024, **Deadline for East St. Louis School Drive**, in collaboration with OP Sisters

(Sparkill). Please call Associate Carol Wesley (314-791-7698) for details.

August 15, 2024, **Deadline for registration** for the August 24<sup>th</sup> All Community Picnic. Associate lunch fee is \$15.00, payable on August 24. Want your meal funded? Call 262-898-4098.

### Just Around the Corner

August 24, 2024, 11:30 AM. All Community Picnic, Sisters' Dining Room/Patio. (FLYER) August 25, 2024, 10:30 AM, Associate Carol Wesley preaches at Christ Church Cathedral, STL August 26, 2024, 10 AM & 6:30 PM, Monthly Journaling Conversation - Sisters & Associates. September 5, 6:30-7:30 PM CT. Next Virtual Craft Circle.

# Are You Ready to Rummage? – Save the Date: September 14, 2024

Start saving your gently used home goods for a Racine Associate rummage sale! September 24, 2024 at Kathy & Judi's house – 5326 Santa Anita Drive, Racine. 8 AM-4 PM Proceeds will go to Racine Dominican Associate Life - Scholarship fund.

**Pray contemplatively with our Community** every Monday, 9 AM-9:30 AM CT, for our future.

HOPES Center Urgently Needs: Large tins of Folgers Coffee (any variety except decaf). Drop off at Siena Center Reception or at HOPES.

See the new Schedule for the 2024-2025 Shared Formation Enrichment for Dominican **Associate Life**! The attached flyer gives all the info. These are required sessions for our Initial and Enduring Candidates to attend (or watch the recording) & discuss with your sponsors. Open to ALL.

#### **Care for Creation This Week:**

- Compost those yard trimmings
- ∔ Take a break today go out in nature
- 4 Drive your car sparingly on very hot days to help air quality

### 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.

