



## Racine Dominican Associates' Friday Night Check-In

*November 3, 2023*



### **TOP 5:**

- 01-21 Nov 2023, **Food Drive for Racine Hospitality Center**. For ALL of us. *See flyer.*
- 05 Nov 2023, 9 AM. **Sunday Liturgy + Remembering Service**, Siena Chapel. For ALL of us.
- 08 Nov 2023, 9-10 AM **CREW** *via Zoom*. For all of us!
- 08 Nov 2023, 6-7 PM CT, **Inter-Congregational Book Study on Becoming Wise**, *via Zoom*.
- 11 Nov 2023, **Monthly Meeting**, Siena Large Conf. Room (In-person & Zoom). Conversation Circles *with Associates: Sisters* on "Associate Negotiables & Non-Negotiables." Admission is one non-perishable food item for the food drive. Walk by **Justice Advocacy Café** with info on gun violence, poverty, Middle East & rights of the incarcerated on your way to the meeting.

### **Save These Dates:**

- 14 Nov 2023, 6-7:30 PM CT, **Shared formation Enrichment** on "The Life, Spirit & Mission of St. Dominic- DCI," offered by S. Joan Sorge (Springfield). For ALL of us. *See flyer.*
- 27 Nov-09 Dec 2023, **Christmas Bags for the Homeless in Racine/St. Louis Drive**. *Flyer soon!*
- 09 Dec 2023, 8:30-10 AM, **Monthly Meeting**, Siena Large Conf. Room (In-person & Zoom). Conversation Circles on "Resources for Continuing our Dominican Charism & Mission," + Sisters: Associates time afterwards to finish Christmas Bags & greet Alaskan visitor.

**Lea Writes:** You are all watching the same mainstream news channels that I am. We can probably recite what the anchors are going to say about the brutal murder of Israeli citizens and about America standing with Israel and these victims. Then there is the email traffic amongst the I-P activist community relating news about women and children being killed in Gaza; about hospital, church, and school bombings in Gaza; about "settler" violence in the West Bank; about imprisonment of Palestinians; about mass demonstrations in D.C., New

York, London, and elsewhere -- not much of which makes it to mainstream media and the American consciousness.

**"Media and the Palestine Problem,"** part two of our Voices from the Holy Land Online Film Salon series on "Marketing the Israeli Occupation" was planned before October 7th. Please help us promote this event! Register [[Tinyurl.com/VFHL-November2023](https://tinyurl.com/VFHL-November2023)] and watch the films. Please share on your social media platforms, and distribute through your email lists. Engage, engage, engage! The November 19th VFHL Online Film Salon Q&A panel discussion will provide insight, information, and thoughtful commentary.

St. Louis Friends of Bethlehem: creating a climate for community

**FYI: Virtual Craft Circle** is on pause until **January 3, 2024**, to finish winter crafts & presents.

**Christmas came early for the Associate Office:**

- Thank you, Carol Wesley & Kathie Solie for dry erase markers! We can look forward to brighter flip charts on our brand new easel!
- Thanks also to Kathie Solie for donating 365 Ways to Save the Earth.

Sing/Send **Birthday Greetings** this week to: **S. Mary Fran Wilcoxson (11/3), S. Dorothy LeNoble (11/5), Clem Grant (11/6), S. Germaine Hietpas (11/9), S. Susan Klein (11/12)**.

**Care for Creation This Week:**

- Save the trees, but see the forest. Work to make life sustainable for all equitably.
- Drive or test-drive an electric car. The cost to drive 60 miles is 1/5 of that of gas.
- Talk to co-workers about ideas to make an environmentally friendly work place.

**Words of our (sung) Dominican Blessing (requested):**

May God Creator bless us.  
May God Redeemer heal us,  
and may God the Holy Spirit fill us with Light.

**The NEW Racine Dominican Direction Statements for 2022-2026 from our Chapter:**

**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.