

Society of Mary

Marists in the United States



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Justice & Peace Alert



Marist School

Atlanta, Georgia



Marist Women Build (MWB)

Recently the MWB group met again to build another home in the Atlanta area. The MWB which teams up with the Atlanta chapter of Habitat for Humanity, was the first high school all-women build in the country. Over the years, MWB has built 22 homes. While it is mostly Marist mothers participating, there is a Mother/Son build day. Also, some female students (age 16+) and some faculty/staff members participate.



Students in the 7th grade theology classes at Marist School recently made more than 100 lunches to support First Presbyterian Church of Atlanta's weekday lunch ministry. They made matching lunches for themselves as well as a way to "break bread together" and be in community with those who received the lunches.





Notre Dame Names New Board DEI Committee Member

Experienced academic and university services professional approved as a member of the NDPMA Board of Trustees' diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) committee. Read more [HERE](#).

St. Peter Chanel Day of Service at NDPMA

On April 28th, the lower school students created and delivered specially decorated "goodie bags" for the Senior class students. View video [HERE](#). In addition students across PreK-5 created cards, gift bags for first responders, toys for animal shelter dogs, and thoughtful gifts for the community.



Duluth, Georgia

The 7th grade students at Notre Dame Academy recently sponsored a Baby Item Collection Drive benefiting moms and their babies who have sought help from [A Beacon of Hope](#), a life-affirming, pregnancy crisis center.

As part of this event Mrs. Winchester, the Middle School Religion Teacher, and the 7th grade students hosted a Baby Shower complete with games and prizes for the students in grades K-5.



Giriteka - Regain your dignity



Walking for Wilai - Stateless children



Balay Pasilungan Celebrates 33 Years of Caring for Street Boys in Davao City, Philippines

May 4, 2022 was the official launching of the 33rd Founding Anniversary of [Balay Pasilungan](#) with the theme "Love is Never Wasted". To commemorate this special occasion, there will be a three-day event to conduct a Family Day, Homecoming & Reunion of former boys of Balay Pasilungan, Fun Foundation History Activities for children, and Thanksgiving Mass.

As part of the celebration, the playground of Balay Pasilungan became a giant art canvas! Led by the Magallanes Elementary School Art Club, the children of Balay Pasilungan participated in creating a mural on the playground that highlights the life and dreams of children. This was a perfect way for the children to boost their creativity, unity and friendship!





While in Rome to attend the Marist Sisters' General Chapter Sr. Noelene Simmons, a member of [ACRATH](#) (Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans), took the opportunity to meet with Australian Ambassador to the Holy See, Chiara Porro.

Ambassador Porro was interested to learn more about the work of ACRATH. During the meeting topics such as Australia's Modern Slavery Act, the PALM Scheme (Pacific Australia Labour Mobility Scheme), the need for a National Compensation Scheme, the [2022 Chocolate Scorecard](#) and ACRATH's international reach through organizations such as [Talitha Kum](#) were discussed.

'Sister Thea Bowman: Faithful Life, Powerful Legacy, Continuing Lessons'



Panel discussion praises Sister Thea Bowman for 'challenging us to hunger and thirst for justice'



Encounters with Dignity - Episode 4

In [Episode 4](#) of Encounters With Dignity, Most Rev. Robert McElroy, Ordinary Bishop of San Diego breaks open the parable of the Good Samaritan, providing us new ways to consider the depth of this well-known story.

In this episode, Bishop McElroy, challenges us to sink into these ever-shifting identities, and to find within them "a new generosity of heart, rejection of judgmentalism, and thirst for reconciliation within our own lives and that of our society as a whole."



Searching for the Untold Stories of Slaves

Anthropology Professor Laura Masur says her work — which includes digging for artifacts at sites of former slave plantations owned by the Jesuits — does not lead to “a comfortable or easy history.” But in connecting descendants to their ancestors, she finds the rewards that can come with documenting the stories of slaves with dignity. Read more [HERE](#).

CATHOLIC-JEWISH STUDIES OF CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL UNION
HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE SERIES

2022 Holocaust Remembrance
Lecture Series with Rabbi
Yehiel Poupko

2022 Holocaust Remembrance
Lecture Series Survivor
Presentation

Bishop Gumbleton formally recognized as Bishop-
President, Emeritus of Pax Christi USA



Where is God?
God is on the Cross.



Young Catholics and Climate Change: Living Laudato Si'



The Marists would like to remember all Mothers - both living and those Mothers who have gone before us - with the following prayer and the short [song "Blessed One"](#) by Aaron Thompson ().

A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers

Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women of theory who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly.

Give them the faithful support of husband, family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

~ Author Unknown