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Justice & Peace Alert























Senior Notre Dame Prep botany students started hundreds of plants this week in our Melissa Kozyra Greenhouse and Botany Learning Lab for Oakland Hills Community Garden, a north Oakland County-based community garden dedicated to feeding the hungry.







2nd Grade students recently visited residents of Country Gardens Senior Assisted Living Community. The students played Bingo with the residents and made a special St. Patrick's Day craft for them!











The 8th Grade Team #5 recently visited Clyde's Kitchen! They delivered the 294 sandwiches that the Junior class made during their annual retreat, and they helped prepare and serve chicken Alfredo, green beans, homemade garlic bread, salad, and dessert to the guests









Empowering Women, Protecting Our Environment

Fr. Gil Casio, SM, Executive Director of the <u>Foundation of Balay Pasilungan</u> (Davao City, Philippines), recently participated in the insightful "Research Festival 2024: Synergies For Sustainable Futures."

This dynamic discussion tackled crucial topics like Environmental Protection, Women Empowerment, and Peace and Security - ALL AREAS CENTRAL TO BALAY PASILUNGAN!

Esteemed speakers Nery N. Ronatay, Ma. Cristina C. Lee, and Atty. Pearly Joan J. Turley shared their expertise, guided by Dr. Maria Angela Zafra of the Ateneo de Davao University SBG Graduate School Faculty.

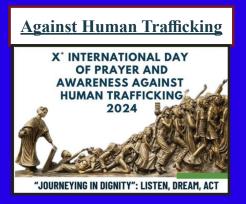
Fr. Gil, together with students at the School of Business and Governance (SGB) of Ateneo de Davao University, participated in this enlightening forum.





Beloved - Victims of violence and slavery







Webinar Recording: Catholic Sisters
Working To Eradicate Human Trafficking

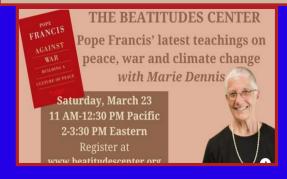






New Resources to Learn how to
Contemplate with Creation

Pope Francis' latest teachings on peace, war and climate change with Marie Dennis



Evidence Does Not Support the Use of the Death Penalty





Archbishop Hartmayer asks for clemency for death row inmate
Willie Pye

Active Beauty







Mother Cabrini is the patron saint of immigrants. Would her story be possible today?



Border breakfast center for migrants brings together Dominican sisters and Salesian laity



A Catholic alternative to diversity, equity and inclusion in education



<u>Dialogue with Palestinian and</u> <u>Israeli Bereaved Families for Peace</u>



"Art, Hospitality, and Activism: The Next
Generation of Artists in the Catholic
Worker Movement" Webinar

Webinar Recording: Discernment and Dialog

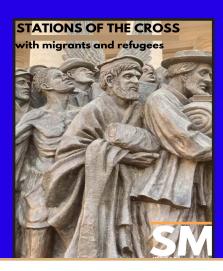


Webinar Recording: Saintly Guides
through Lent with Robert Ellsberg



Celebrating St. Patrick and the Irish





Stations of the Cross Lenten Reflection

The Marist Commission for Migrants and Refugees has prepared a booklet with a Stations of the Cross Lenten Reflection for our journey towards Easter. This resource may be used personally or in community or with a wider reflection group in your ministries. The series of reflections aims to highlight the needs of migrants and refugees as a special concern of the Church, especially while remembering the Lord's Passion. This is a work in progress. The Commission hopes to be able to present these migrant-reflections in several languages in the future.

Digital Version

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Lenten Journey to Easter by Jane Deren, PhD

We walk this Lenten Journey with immigrants and refugees, lost, unsure of their journey's end, still longing for a home.

We walk with those in poverty, unable to live lives of dignity, besieged by hunger and fear, trying to hold on day by day.

We walk with those mourning what is happening to God's creation, calling us all to better care and stewardship of the earth, its creatures, and all growing things.

We walk with women who are trafficked, who are abused, who are harassed, who still live in the silences, and who want to flee the darkness.

We walk with peacemakers, walking a very rocky road toward peace when so much conflict rages and so many fan the flames of violence.

We walk with all those carrying burdens, yet we walk in faith and hope.

Despite the suffering of the Cross, we walk toward an Easter dawning.

We move toward the seemingly impossible Resurrection, a time of justice and peace. We walk, called forward through the darkness by the Risen Christ; In his name we pray. Amen



