

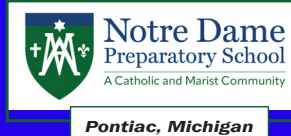
Society of Mary

An International Religious Congregation

Marists in the United States

September 5, 2025

Justice & Peace Alert



Climbing for a Cause



Dr. Mona Hanna, a 2025 USA Today Woman of the Year, was recently on campus to speak to NDP students and staff. She talked about loving others and doing the right thing, even when it is hard. Dr. Mona also spoke about caring for the least of God's people — those in poverty or who cannot advocate for their own health and wellbeing. Her presentation aligns with this year's Marist theme, "Ardent Love of Neighbor."

Dr. Mona is the Associate Dean for Public Health and C. S. Mott Endowed Professor of Public Health at Michigan State University College of Human Medicine, and is the founding director of the Pediatric Public Health Initiative, an innovative partnership of MSU and Hurley Children's Hospital in Flint, Mich. A pediatrician, scientist, activist, and author, Dr. Mona also was named one of Time magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World and recognized as one of USA Today's Women of the Century for her role in uncovering the Flint water crisis and leading recovery efforts. She also directs Rx Kids, providing direct cash assistance to expectant mothers and infants in Flint to address poverty as a root cause of health disparities.





Marist Asia Foundation marked Buddhist Lent with visiting monks, as the students learned about mindfulness and generosity.



Advocating for Children, Empowering Youth, Uplifting Women

The executive director of Foundation Balay Pasilungan, Fr. Gil L. Casio, S.M., has faithfully served the Regional Development Council (RDC-XI) for three years (July 22, 2022 – June 30, 2025) as Private Sector Representative for Children, Youth, and Women. He has also been chosen to serve again for the next term (2025–2028).

This service echoes the heart of Balay Pasilungan’s mission: to stand with children, empower the youth, uphold the dignity of women, and help build communities of hope and love.



Marist JPIC Blog
Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation ministries throughout the Marist world

National Exceptionalism



Thresholds of Transformation



**Pope Leo's response to the Minneapolis
Catholic school shooting: 3 takeaways**



**How to Support Those Impacted by the
Shooting at Annunciation Catholic School**



Prayer in the Wake of Violence



**Priests and nuns in Gaza City defy
Israel's evacuation orders and vow to
stay: 'We have nowhere else to go.'**



**World's largest Catholic aid group
calls for end of 'man-made famine and
assault' in Gaza**



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**LET
CHILDREN
LIVE**

2.38 million Palestinian children are living in the
Occupied Palestinian Territory. Together, we can make
them visible and impossible for world leaders to ignore.
Get a name to share at
letchildrenlive.com

**Pax Christi USA endorses the Let children
live campaign**

Deportations and Assaults on Human Dignity



Deportations and Assaults on Human Dignity

A Special Initiative Roundtable on Catholic Principles, Human Costs, and Pastoral Challenges

Thursday, September 11, 2025 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. EDT | bit.ly/DeportationsCST
Gaston Hall, Healy Hall, Georgetown University & Livestreamed

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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Institutional Catholic Social Thought and Public Life

At Jesuit universities, the government's D.E.I. crackdown is an attack on religious freedom



Pope Leo praying as Afghanistan death toll climbs



Online Launch of the Catholic Joint Statement on Climate and Peace

Pilgrims of Hope for a Just and Peaceful World

Launch of Catholic Joint Statement on Climate and Peace



Monday, 8 September 2025
14:00–15:30 CEST / 12:00–13:30 GMT



Vatican to host seminar on “Creation, Nature, Environment for World Peace”



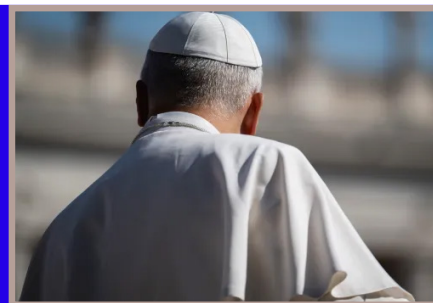
Agroecology as a path to justice: ‘How we treat the Earth is how we treat each other’



20 years after Hurricane Katrina,
documentary 'Trouble the Water' inspires
righteous rage—and hope



Pope prays that we will learn to
welcome strangers



Nuns offer safety, education for
Myanmar's war-displaced children



Time Magazine names Pope Leo a
voice on AI ethics



Pope's theme for 2026 World Day of Peace:
'Peace be with you all'



Bocelli and Pharrell unite for
Vatican concert of hope





Pope's Prayer Intention for September:
For Our Relationship with All of Creation

**Feast Day of St. Teresa of Calcutta –
September 5th**



September 11th

O God,

On the anniversary of 9/11,
we call on your spirit to
empower us to shape a world
marked by ways of life that lead
to justice and peace.

We are still aware of the fear and
violence that has permeated our
world since September 11, 2001.

As we pray in remembrance of
that tragic day, help us to be
people of nonviolence and hope.

Form us into a people
determined to heal wounds
rather than inflict them.

We ask this in the name of Jesus
who came among us to
show us the way.

Amen