

Society of Mary

An International Religious Congregation

Marists in the United States

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Justice & Peace Alert



An interfaith event was held last week during Yom Kippur services at the Ahavath Achim Synagogue in Atlanta, Georgia. Bearing Witness Institute Director Brendan Murphy moderated a panel discussion with Senior Rabbi Laurence Rosenthal, Archbishop Gregory John Hartmayer, and Rev. Monsignor Francis G. McNamee from the Catholic Cathedral of Christ the King. Panelists reflected on the meaning of forgiveness in both the Jewish and Catholic traditions - a conversation that reminded us how deeply our faith traditions share a commitment to mercy, reconciliation, and hope. This dialogue continues the growing relationship between the AA Synagogue and the Cathedral of Christ the King. May we all continue to build bridges of faith and friendship in our city and beyond.



Pink Out Day!

In honor of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, ND Academy students, faculty, staff, and administrators participated in the annual Pink Out Day. The tradition for this day is to honor breast cancer support, medical advancements, build knowledge, and offer continued prayers for those whose families have been impacted by this disease. St. Agatha, Patron Saint of Breast Cancer Patients, pray for us!



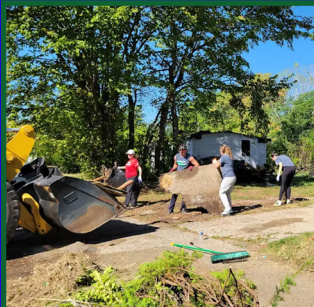
Lower School Day of Service

Students at Notre Dame Prep's lower school recently created many gifts and goods for members of the local communities. These very busy mission-driven youngsters turned out. . .

- Decorated pumpkins and cards for a senior living center
- Halloween treat bags for patients at Children's Hospital of Michigan
- Cards for patients at Children's Hospital
- Goodie bags for St. Damien of Molokai Parish - All Saints Day
- Animal blankets
- Goodie bags for homeless and candy bags for children at St. Damien
- Goodie bags with treats and toys for animal shelter
- Halloween treat bags for Auburn Hills community center



Mission Beyond Campus



NDP and World Day of Migrants and Refugees



NDP middle school students recently volunteered at Grace Centers of Hope. They rolled up their sleeves, pulled weeds, raked leaves, and completely refreshed the garden, making it look brand new again.





Matti, Digos, Philippines

Culmination Day of Catechetical Month and Season of Creation Joined with Faith and Unity

On October 5th, the OLF parish community celebrated the culmination day for Catechetical Month and the Season of Creation. The event was not just a gathering, but also a moment to honor and thank God for life, world, and mission of teaching faith.



Culmination of the Season of Creation: A New Beginning

On October 4th the boys of Balay Pasilungan gathered to mark the end of the Season of Creation, not with grand speeches, but with hands and hearts. Each child traced his hand on colored paper, writing his personal promise to care for creation: to plant, to recycle, to protect, to love.

These simple handprints became a Creative Wall of Promise - a sign that every small act of care can grow into something greater. As they pointed to their drawings with joy and pride, you could sense the Spirit of renewal moving among them - the same Spirit that turns deserts into fruitful fields (Isaiah 32:15).

This culmination is not an ending, but a beginning — a renewal of our pledge to live in peace with creation, to teach stewardship, and to nurture the seeds of hope planted in every child's heart.





Members of the Marist Family gathered at Hunters Hill in Australia to celebrate the Season of Creation through prayer and action. Words from this year's message for World Day of Care of Creation inspired a lively discussion which conclude with those present making a commitment to be "Seeds of peace and hope". The gathering was hosted by the Marist Family Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation committee.



Marist JPIC Blog

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



Raising Hope

Pope tells consecrated men, women to continue path of synodality



Broken Links: How Do Media Silos Undermine Social Solidarity?



After synagogue attack, bishops want united front against hatred

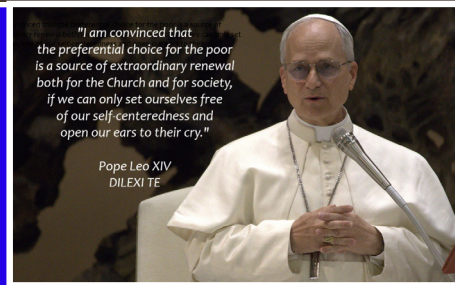
Pope Leo signs first exhortation, 'Dilexi te,' focused on love for the poor



Leo XIV's four appeals to Christians in "Dilexi te"



Five Takeaways of Dilexi Te



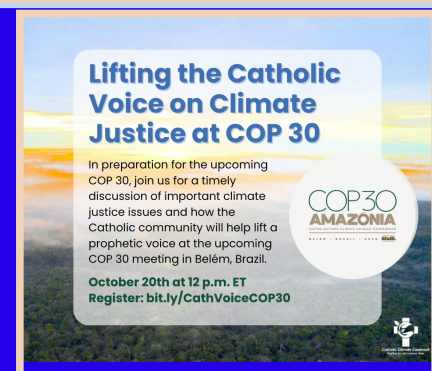
Reweaving the Ecological Map: Celebrating the Season of Creation in Oceania



World Faith Leaders Participate in Global Ethical Stocktake for Climate Action



Lifting the Catholic Voice on Climate Justice at COP 30



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PERSPECTIVES ON COP30:

Justice, Education, & Care for Our Common Home

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Wednesday,
October 29, 2025

9:00am, Bogotá
10:00am, Washington, D.C.
3:00pm, Rome

Perspectives on COP30: Justice, Education & Care for Our Common Home

“Dreaming of a Church for the Poor: Dorothy Day and Dilexi Te” Webinar



New Mural in NYC's St. Patrick's Cathedral Features Dorothy Day and the Stories of Immigrants



Dorothy Day: Benedictine Oblate and Candidate for Canonization



Pope Leo calls for human dignity for migrants and an end to war in Gaza



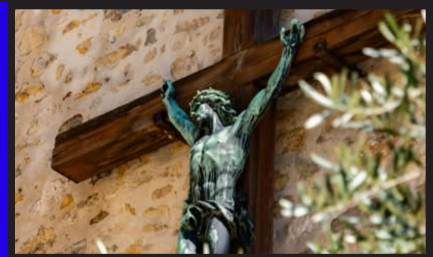
Eucharistic procession turned back by feds at Broadview ICE detention facility



Church leaders meet at US-Mexico border to address migration



Respect Life Month Toolkit



2025 PAX CHRISTI INTERNATIONAL PEACE AWARD



Bishop Mark Seitz
Catholic Diocese of El Paso

Pax Christi International awards 2025 peace prize to Bishop Seitz, with special recognition to others

It's official! Pope Leo's 1st trip to Turkey, Lebanon



Proclaim Jubilee Initiative

Join in for World Mission Rosary



Did New York help shape the
“doctor of the poor”?



Fatima's “Miracle of the Sun” as
visualized by A.I. (Photos)



World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday was established by Pope Pius XI in 1926. It is usually observed on the third Sunday of October and will be celebrated this year on October 19th.

This year's theme that resonates deeply in this Jubilee Year: “Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples.” In his message, the Holy Father stated that this day is an opportunity for the entire Catholic Church to unite in prayer for missionaries “and for the fruitfulness of their apostolic labors.” He reminds us that hope is at the heart of the Christian mission, calling every baptized person to be “messengers and builders of hope” in a world that often finds itself overshadowed by uncertainty and despair.

We ask for your continued prayers and support so that we may be able to carry on the work of Fr. Colin and keep bringing the compassionate love of Our Lord to the world in Mary's quiet way.

Be assured of our prayers and gratitude!

