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Celebrate International Day of Peace September 21

As God's artisans of peace, we are called to build a society of peace, to replace practices of violence and war with values of nonviolence and peace.
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NEWS FROM CASSERLY HOUSE, A CSJ BOSTON MINISTRY

New Year, New Backpacks by Emma Marshall, Casserly House Jesuit Volunteer

This summer, Casserly House was able to distribute 50 backpacks stuffed with school supplies to local students. These backpacks and supplies were generously donated by *Backpacks for New Beginnings* and the *Spirit of Life* community, enabling Casserly House to help students prepare for a successful school year. Youngsters were able to select a backpack in their favorite color or pattern. Inside these bags they found everything they might need for academic success, from pencils to calculators to glow-in-the-dark rulers.

The average school supply "haul" for elementary schoolers today can cost as much as \$650, so these backpacks have real value to our students and meet a genuine need. We are excited to watch our students use their new pencils, crayons, and notebooks in their academic pursuits this year. We know they will study hard and make us proud! ☺

[Learn more about Casserly House at https://www.casserlyhouse.org/](https://www.casserlyhouse.org/)



Jahaziel, a second grader, enjoys his new school supplies

BOSTON CSJ ASSOCIATES SEPTEMBER GATHERING

Living and Sharing our Story

by Linda Boothroyd, CSJA

On Saturday, September 8 the Associates gathered with vowed members of the community, new and old friends for their first meeting of the 2018-2019 year.

The topic was *Living and Sharing Our Story*. We began with an informal "speed getting-to-know-you" session that provided brief glimpses into who we are. The members of our new leadership council, Sisters Lee Hogan, Cathy Clifford, Marian Batho, Betsy Conway, Judy Costello, and Denise Kelly then shared their stories. They gave a brief overview of where they came from, family life, God's invitation to follow in many ways.

Our stories are told by our lives and actions and are continuing every day. We are like pieces of a jigsaw puzzle or mosaic who fit together to create a beautiful whole. There is a richness in each person's story. We become a

vibrant, living story directed by God. Remember - when in doubt - love. We are each here for a reason - God is faithful and God has a purpose for each one of us.

We spent time in quiet reflection pondering our own

personal stories, when we experience God in our lives, and how can we proclaim and live our shared stories. We ended a very rich morning when we came together in small groups to share the fruit of our reflections. ☺

PICTURED ABOVE: Associates and Sisters participate in the "speed getting-to-know-you" activity; during the presentation by our Leadership Team, all participants raised their hands in blessing the team as the group sang "May the Longtime Sun" by Sara Thomsen.





ABOVE: Jared Amrtzen at work in our CSJ Boston Communications Office

Telling our CSJ Story through Social Media

As we move forward with our 2017-2018 Chapter directions, we are pleased share that we have collaborated with Regis College to secure Jared Amrtzen, a graduate intern in Communications, to assist us in broadening our reach to multiple audiences as we continue to “Tell the CSJ Boston Story” to ever widening circles. Jared comes to us with skills in a number of social media platforms; he is enthusiastic to learn about our history, mission, and ministries to integrate all the many pieces of who we are as sisters, associates, agrégéé candidates, partners in mission, and more.

Jared is researching our website, our Congregation and Sponsored Ministries, as well as a variety of websites and social media platforms of organizations with which we are interconnected [LCWR, CSSJ Federation, etc.] This will help in creating a digital media strategy that will expand our interaction with a wider, more diverse audience. Expect to hear more from Jared as the semester unfolds. ☞

You're Invited!

TO A DINNER WITH THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH AT
REGIS COLLEGE IN HONOR OF FOUNDER'S DAY

*"Our Pilgrimage to Le Puy and its
Relevance for Today"*

*Tuesday, September 25
5:00 p.m.
Fine Arts Center Atrium*

Please RSVP to Daniel Leahy at (781) 768-7559 or
daniel.leahy@regiscollege.edu by Friday September 21



MORNINGS OF PRAYER
Sponsored by St. Joseph Spiritual
Ministries
at 637 Cambridge St., Brighton

Each Morning will include refreshments upon arrival (9-9:30),
reflective input, your personal prayer, sharing, closing.

Pearl of Great Price

Thursday, **September 27, 2018**, 9:30 AM 12:00 PM
Kathryn O'Connell Cleary, Presenter

A PRAYERFUL PROGRAM FOR YOUR WELL-BEING

Compassion: A Way to Peace

Wednesday, **October 3, 2018**, 9:30 AM 12:00 PM
Kathleen Short, CSJ, Presenter

This Morning will include input, silence, gentle chair massage,
gentle exercise, and faith sharing.

**Three Ways to Heal the Heart: Gratitude,
Forgiveness and Living into the Present Moment**

Wednesday, **November 14, 2018**, 9:30 AM 12:00 PM
Gail O'Donnell, RSCJ, Presenter

**at GLASTONBURY ABBEY
16 Hull St., Hingham, MA**

Finding Hope in Uncertain Times

Wednesday, **October 10, 2018**, 9:15 to 11:45 AM
Beverly C. Good, Presenter

\$25 donation is suggested for each Morning of Prayer.

To participate in the SJSJ prayer events, RSVP to
St. Joseph Spiritual Ministries
637 Cambridge St., Brighton, MA 02135
or call 781-227-4730
or e-mail spiritual.ministries@csjboston.org

Dates to Remember

- SEPT. 20, THURS., 5:15PM — WEEKDAY LITURGY — Motherhouse [note time change]
- SEPT. 22, SAT., ASSOCIATE COMMITMENT — New Mexico
- SEPT., 25, TUES., REGIS COLLEGE BOSTON CSJ FOUNDERS' DAY FOR SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH
— see invitation above and rsvp as designated
- SEPT. 26, WED., 5:15PM — WEEKDAY LITURGY — Motherhouse
- SEPT. 27, THURS., MORNING OF PRAYER — with St. Joseph Spiritual Ministries
— visit www.csjboston.org for details and see dates above
- SEPT. 30, SUN., GOLDEN JUBILEE LITURGY & CSJ BOSTON FOUNDERS' DAY — Motherhouse
- OCT. 13, SAT., 9:30AM-12:30PM — ANTI-TRAFFICKING SYMPOSIUM — Motherhouse.
— Visit www.csjboston.org for details
- OCT. 17, WED., 10:00AM-12:00PM CROSSROADS AND THRESHOLDS: Embracing the Second Half of
Life. A 4-week series offered by The Women's Table for more information.
visit <https://thewomenstable.org/upcoming-programs/> for details
- OCT. 27, SAT., CONGREGATION GATHERING — Motherhouse—details to follow

*Long deeply for God.
Be constant, wisely eager
to receive God's love.*
Maxims in Haiku #42, Frances Agnes Blake, CSJ
Based on Maxims of the Little Institute

SISTER ANN MARIE GHILONI, CSJ
Sister Francis Anthony

Date of Birth: February 10, 1940
Date of Death: July 8, 2018
In the 60th year of her Religious Life.

Membership: 242

*We apologize for not including
Ann Marie in the previous listing of
sisters who passed away
during the summer.*

Reflections can be viewed at:
<http://www.csjboston.org/news-and-events/in-memoriam/>



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