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December 2023 | Celebrating God's endless, outpouring love

Every season is the season of love - giving and receiving!

Donna Stiglemeier | CASSERLY HOUSE

In November and December, giving and receiving abounds at Casserly House! In our English Language classes, we celebrate with creating and writing cards for those we love, and with poems and treats and laughter while we learn and connect. For our families, the District E5 Officers of Boston Police Department deliver hearty meals.



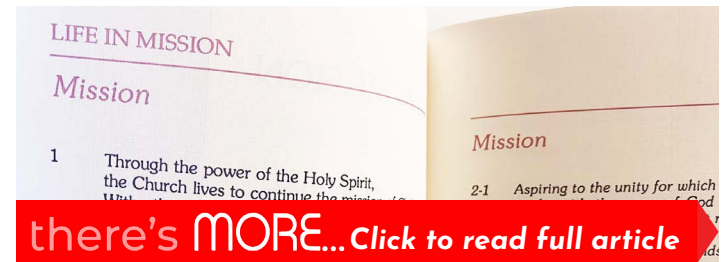
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In This Season-of-Darkness-and-Light-to-Come | Amanda Zuretti, CSJA | ASSOCIATES

We are near winter now; we are in Advent. The winter solstice arrives on December 21 in our calendar, and soon, lengthening daylight will begin again.

In this season-of-darkness-and-light-to-come, I have revisited my notes on Sister Dorothea Masuret's November presentation, "On the Grace of the Charism," again and again. Specifically, I re-read: "... at the breaking points of human community

[the grave disharmonies of our world] we see in the breakdown and order and relationship a unique occasion for the activity of God. Therefore, we believe in both the possibility and the power of reconciliation and seek to let God bring about unity in our lives and in the lives of our sisters and brothers."



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Lorraine Quinn, CSJ, receives flowers, which she later gives to Prudence

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Dedication of Nativity

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Mass at Divine Mercy Parish at Sacred Heart Church, Quincy, on November 26th honored the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston for 150 years of service in the Archdiocese of Boston. Toward the end, Lorraine Quinn, CSJ, was presented with flowers for her years of service at Sacred Heart School. Sister Lorraine was the only sister present who had ministered there.

Engaging Mission Moments

Mission Moment 1:

Serving the Dear Neighbor in Emergency Shelters

Sisters, Associates & Agrégées donated items most needed in the emergency shelters which house homeless families, including recently arrived migrants - winter coats, hats, gloves, diapers and toiletries. Students and friends from Boston College packed the items and delivered them to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. This was in addition to advocacy efforts calling on the Legislature to provide funding to keep the shelters open. [Click here to view more pics!](#)

Mission Moment 2:

Creating an Ever-widening Circle of Awareness for COP 28

United Nations Convention On Climate Change – or the COP, is a meeting of world leaders, scientific experts, climate activists, and lobbyists to discuss transnational policies to address the climate crisis. United Arab Emirates will host the 28th Conference of the Parties, from November 30th to December 13th. Visit our Instagram to learn more. [Not on social media? Click here!](#)



Sisters prepare bags for emergency shelters.



Dates to Remember

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Prayer for Peace

When: Tuesday, Dec. 19, 5:00pm

Location: Motherhouse Chapel, 637 Cambridge St., Brighton, MA

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Taizé Prayer

When: Thursday, Dec. 21, 7:00pm

Location: Motherhouse Chapel, 637 Cambridge St., Brighton, MA

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Human Trafficking Vigil

When: Sunday, Jan. 21, 1:00-2:30pm

Location: The Motherhouse

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In Memoriam

Dianne Rollins, CSJA

July 4, 1943 - November 28, 2023

Sister Claire McDonald, CSJ

(Sister Philip Mary)

August 31, 1927 - December 10, 2023

In the 77th year of her Religious Life

Entered: September 8, 1947



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Advent is here!

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New Faces! | Communications Office

Casserly House and The Women's Table have new hires! Meet Lindsay Morrison, Casserly House's new ESOL Program Engagement Administrator, and Anne Mazzola, our new director at The Women's Table! Click below to learn more about these two new additions to our Congregation Ministries...



Lindsay Morrison



Anne Mazzola

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Advent Christmas Gathering

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