In the Loop July 2014



# From the DSC Executive Director

### Summer is Here!

It is the time of vacations and retreats. It is the time of picnics and barbecues, and the time of Jubilee celebrations. We wish a happy summer to all and special blessings to all those celebrating Jubilee this year.

Let us also keep the new leadership teams taking office in our prayers. We pray for the new teams of: The Dominican Sisters of Hope, The Dominican Sisters of Racine, The Dominican Sisters of San Rafael, and the Dominican Sisters of Springfield.

I will soon be moving from temperate climate of the San Francisco Bay Area to the Midwest, "In the Loop" will be taking a short break. I will be moving at the end of this month, and not really settling in River Forest, IL, until after LCWR. So there will not be an August issue and the September issue will be sent out a little late, following the Dominican Women Afire gathering in San Antonio. Good news from that event will be included in this newsletter.

Blessings on your travels and all you are about for God's people.

Peace and all Good, Pat Farrell, OP

# DSC Crosses Are Available Now!

We will be contacting everyone who indicated that they would like to purchase crosses. The cost of shipping is approximately \$2.50, so the cost, by mail, will be \$25 - \$23 in person. If you are interested, but we haven't heard from you, please contact Pat Farrell at



# We Have Family in Iraq

Thank you to all of you who have forwarded emails from our sisters in Iraq, and for information about the unspeakable situation that they and their people face daily.

We also thank Sister Marceline Koch and Father Chuck Dahm for the beautiful prayer that they forwarded to our Justice Promoters for our congregations' use.

Let us keep praying.

Sister Margaret Galiardi reminded me of a message from Yousif Abraham whose priory in Iraq was visited by most of the Dominican delegations. He has recently been appointed Archbishop of Kirkuk. He sends good wishes to the Dominican Community and tells us he is counting on our prayers for himself as he begins this new ministry at the age of 65, and of course continued prayers for the Iraqi people.

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The Dominican sisters in Leadership rousingly affirmed the appointment of Sister Kathleen Klingen. We would like to introduce her to you this month.

Kathleen is an Adrian Dominican Sister. Originally from Chicago's South East Side, she was educated by Dominican Sisters at St. Ailbe and Aquinas Domincan High School. She entered the congregation in 1966 at a time of constant change in the community following Vatican II. Her ministry background is in Education and Administration and has served in that capacity for the past forty-five years.

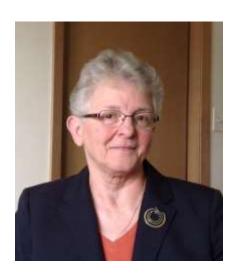
After a couple years in Michigan, Kathleen served in parishes in the Chicago Archdiocese: St. Clare de Montefalco, St. Mary Star of the Sea, Precious Blood, Our Lady of the Westside and St. Cyprian, River Grove.

# We Welcome a New Executive Committee Member

Kathleen has served on numerous committees in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Adrian Congregation with the collaborative efforts of all involved.

This past March, Kathleen was elected to serve as the Chapter Prioress of the Dominican Midwest Chapter of the Adrian Dominican Sisters. The Chapter includes ninety-five sisters who live and minister in the Midwest. She resides in Westchester and has an office in LaGrange at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

She will be joining Judy Brunell of Hope, Honora Nolty of Amityville, Sandy Delgado of Grand Rapids, Sharon Zayac of Springfield, and Reg McKillip of Sinsinawa.



# **Collaborative Corner**

## From New York to Illinois

Many of you have already read about this, but the Welcome given to the Dominican nuns from Elmira, NY, by our Dominican Sisters in Springfield, IL, is worth highlighting – again and again!

The final home of the nuns will be at Jubilee Farm in Springfield. But until their monastery can be completed, they will live on the campus of the Springfield mother house in Siena Hall as of Fall of 2014. Please keep all the involved sisters in your prayers as they make this important move. Collaboration takes a lot of time and work! We thank our sisters in Springfield for this wonderful witness of Dominican Hospitality, and look forward to the nuns' new home in Springfield becoming a reality!

#### To Nashville

We look forward to gathering at the Motherhouse of the Nashville Dominican Sisters during LCWR in August. Please keep all of leadership in your prayers as they gather, both at LCWR and with our Nashville sisters.

### To San Antonio

On August 28<sup>th</sup>, 123 (so far) of our younger/newer Dominican Sisters will be gathering in San Antonio for Dominican Women Afire. Many have been working behind the scenes in the hope that the conversations that happen there will be instrumental in the future of the sisters gathered. Please keep these sisters in your prayers, as they prepare, as they travel, as they gather, and after they return home.