
VOCATION NEWS FROM THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF PEACE

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Many exciting new developments have been happening in our congregation, from the announcement of our newest candidate to the profession of vows for two women to the election of our new Leadership Team. Be sure to check out all of these stories of growth and joy!

May you find time in solitude for prayer and reflection to deepen your relationship with God as you discern your next steps in life.

Peace and Blessings,

Sr. June Fitzgerald, OP; Sr. Mai-dung Nguyen, OP; Sr. Bea Tiboldi, OP; Mary Ellen George, OPA



Mission for Peace

After two years of the pandemic, the Dominican Sisters of Peace joyfully announce that we will have a five-day Mission for Peace event **in person** from June 22 to June 27. This event will start on Wednesday afternoon around 2pm, June 22, in Wichita, Kansas, and end on Sunday evening, June 26, in Great Bend, Kansas. Then, on Monday, June 27, the group will drive back to Wichita where participants will depart for their intended destinations. (Great Bend is about a two-hour drive from Wichita.)

At a Mission for Peace event, you will join with our Sisters and other women to pray, work, play and build community. In this five-day event, we will have a theological reflection on the mission for peace and some mission sharing from our sisters. We will create a community

together through our actions, faith sharing, and vision within an atmosphere of peace, respect, joy, and spirituality. [Read more.](#)



Newest Candidate: Paula Danforth

Welcome to Our Newest Candidate Paula Danforth! We are excited to share with you that Paula has been accepted as a Candidate with the Dominican Sisters of Peace. Paula has participated in many of our Vocation activities since February 2019 and some of you may have had occasion to meet her at these events. A gifted poet and artist, Paula frequently shared her artistic drawings and poetic inspirations at many of our events. [Read more.](#)



Celebration of Vows

As we celebrate the joy of the season of growth, our Congregation is growing as well! We congratulate Sr. Margaret Uche, (left) who will make her Perpetual Profession of Vows, and Sr. Anne Killian, (right) who will make her Temporary Profession of Vows, both in July 2022.



Congregational Chapter

The Dominican Sisters of Peace held their Third General Chapter, April 19–24, 2022, in Columbus, Ohio and gathered together in-person. The theme for the Chapter, symbolized by the icon here, was "Love Impels our Journey." [Click here](#) for answers to questions you might have about this Chapter, including what a Chapter is.

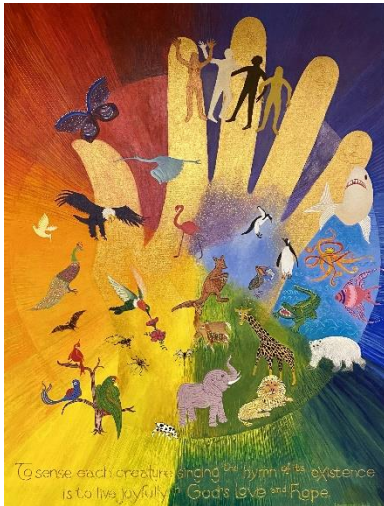
Dominican Youth Movement



Are you a young adult? "The programs and workshops of the Dominican Youth Movement USA (DYMUSA) "offer a time, place, and context for establishing impactful relations. DYMUSA builds faith and strengthens young people's commitment to God, community, family, preaching, social justice, and the Dominican Order." (from dymusa.org)

Click on this link to learn more about this wonderful opportunity: [Dominican Youth Movement USA](#).

Laudato Si' Painting



This glorious painting you see here is entitled "Laudato Si," and was created by Sr. Thoma Swanson OP from the Dominican Sisters of Peace congregation. A life-long artist and art teacher, Sr. Thoma, shares here in her own words what inspired her to create this painting.

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About the painting, *Laudato Si'*

"I can't waste all this time" was my recurring thought as Covid moved into my life and effectively kept me home for many months. Slowly I realized that this unexpected gift of time was a pregnant space calling me to fill it with a "2022 expression" of God's glory. [Read more](#).

"BE YOU" the beginning of our new journey



Collaborative Dominican Novitiate

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Want to know what our novices at the Collaborative Dominican Novitiate (CDN) in Chicago are thinking about and doing these days? [Click here](#) to read Sr. Tram Bui's reflection on the vow of poverty.



Video of the Month

In this 8-minute video, [What Attracted You to the Dominican Sisters of Peace](#), women in various stages of formation share what attracted them to the Dominican Sisters of Peace.



Ask a Sister

Why do you choose to live a celibate life?

We feel called by God to this way of life, just as we are called to study, to preach, and to serve the needs of the world. The vow of celibacy helps us to free our hearts, and to love more deeply and more fully. By not being attached to a single person, a religious Sister is free to go wherever God's love is most needed in the world, and to take God's love with her.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer is one of the foundations of our life and we invite you to share your prayer requests

with us. Please send them to vocations@oppeace.org. Please also keep us, our congregation, and your fellow discerners in prayer.



The Vatican's Pope Video

We join the universal Church and Pope Francis as we pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.. You can listen to and watch this month's message [here](#).

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