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**Dominican
Sisters of Peace**
Sisters and Associates
in Mission

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**VOCATION NEWS
FROM THE DOMINICAN SISTERS OF PEACE**

**“Deep comfort of the Earth below you.
Vast joy of the heavens above you.
Great peace of the infinite within you.”**

~ Celtic Blessing

Dear :

We hope you had a wonderful Easter celebration and found time to pray with some of the Scripture passages we shared with you for your Holy Week reflections.

The changing, lingering winter weather here reminds us of the seasons of change and transformation that occur in the discernment process. We recognize that in your desire to seek God's will for your life that discerning a call to religious life can be overwhelming and filled with both joyous and anxious moments. We're here to help you identify and clarify the path to which God may be calling you and invite you to contact us when you're ready to begin discerning where God is calling you.

Sr. Pat Dual, OP ; Sr. June Fitzgerald, OP; Sr. Mai-Dung Nguyen, OP; Mary Ellen George, OPA



Sisters & Associates March for Our Lives

Whether the weather was cool and cloudy in Columbus, OH or sunny in Watertown, MA or raining in Louisville, KY or warm enough for short sleeves in the Big Easy, Dominican Sisters of Peace and Associates gathered on Saturday, March 24, 2018 in solidarity with the young people of the “March for our Lives” demanding sensible gun control and an end to gun violence.

Sisters and Associates participated also in Hartford and Guilford, CT; Great Bend, KS; Harrodsburg, KY; Oxford, MI and Akron, OH. In Louisville, KY, Peace Dominicans and

associates joined more than 2000 marchers in a cold drizzle to show solidarity with those seeking safer schools and communities. Sr. Catherine Mahady, OP, a Parish Outreach Minister in Louisville, said, “If you can remember back to the 1960’s, there is nothing like being in a very large, cold, wet, noisy, and energized crowd shouting, ‘This is what democracy looks like’, to make you – whether you are young or old – proud again to be an American.” Sr. Charlene Moser, OP summed up the Kentucky contingent’s reason for joining the March. “I think at this point in our country’s history we need to stand up and raise our voices,” Sr. Charlene said. “We need to support those whose voices may not be heard, or may be dismissed. These young people are an inspiration to us “elders.”

To read more about the community's participation in and thoughts about this event, click [here](#).



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*Save the
Date*

Come and See Retreat
September 7--9, 2018
St. Catharine, KY

Earth Day Observance in April

Remember as a child gazing at the stars and looking in awe at the vast universe?

How big Planet Earth seemed. How majestic her beauty and how wondrous the resources of land, water, and air.

As children and maybe even as adults, we may have taken for granted these resources.

At the conclusion of the creation story in Genesis, we hear God declare that all that had been created was good. Let us take a moment this month to be aware of Earth's rich resources and find ways to conserve energy and preserve nature's bounty.

Click on this link [here](#) to read why eco-justice is important to us and to find a list of resources for becoming informed on eco-justice issues.



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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.

Learn more about us via our website at www.oppeace.org or on Facebook and Twitter

You can also contact our Vocation Ministers:

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The Vatican's Pope Video

We join the universal Church and Pope Francis as we pray for each country's economy to be at the service of social justice, benefitting, above all, those who need it most. Those who have responsibility in economic matters must put it at the service of the common good. Watch this video [here](#).



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Our daily posts offer you information on a wide range of topics about prayer and social justice issues, holidays and observances, inspirational quotes from Pope Francis and other noteworthy individuals, and stories about our sister's ministries. Don't hesitate to let us know what you think about a posting in the Comments section. We'd love to hear from you!

God Calling?? Blogs



Every Thursday we post a reflection on a variety of topics for our God

Calling?? blog. You can read our blogs by viewing our [homepage](#), and clicking on "News and Blogs" on the far right side of the menu bar. In the pull-down menu, you will see our God Calling?? blog and other blog series that we encourage you to read so that you can become familiar with what's important to us and what we're thinking about.



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