Saying “Yes!” to the future is a declaration of faith and hope, but can be accompanied by emotion and generous surrenders. As we do each year, Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange meet together to scrutinize the signs of the times and talk about a Gospel-rooted, faithful response to strengthen the congregation’s mission. We recognize the future of religious life may not look like it’s recent past, and that many religious congregations need to adapt in the 21st century. We frequently consider how to extend our mission that unites us with God and one another. Our “Yes!” to the future means we have been in deep discernment to determine what’s needed to carry the mission forward.

The Transformative Journey

These past few years of discernment have been known as the Transformative Journey. It is emerging as Sisters listen to what God is calling us to as next steps along the way. Sisters know that to extend the mission into the future, we need to evolve how we engage with others to meet the needs of the dear neighbor locally and globally. We’re talking change.

Transformation begins with relationships. A characteristic of Sisters of St. Joseph is we relate with others in our life and ministry. We’ve made intentional efforts to CARE for one another within our congregation. We’re also nurturing friendships with those who have been with us all along, and new companions desiring to walk with us in the Spirit’s call to unity and reconciliation.

It’s a paradox that sisters known for a gift of unity and reconciliation can find it difficult to communicate with one another at times, yet we faced that reality. Our congregational leadership encouraged every sister to enter into a process called CARE training – Conversational Approach to Relational Effectiveness – to give a positive assist to the culture of our community. CARE was developed by Beth Lipsmeyer-Dunn and Ted Dunn; clinical psychologists who have helped facilitate our gatherings. Four cohorts took part in CARE in 2012-2013, with another CARE program adapted to our senior sisters in 2014. While not a magic fix, we brought our CARE learnings into our day-to-day realities, reached common understandings, and have a skillset to assist us with clear and direct communication.

We believe that many other friends, beyond vowed members, want to carry the mission forward. We relate through the charism, which is a gift that flows from God’s love to humans and is endowed with a character of unity and reconciliation. This charism brings people to God and brings people together. Sisters of St. Joseph have always worked in creative collaboration with people who wish to do good works with us. We are companions in the charism; the Family of Joseph. Our family relationship is emerging and evolving as we create it together.

On the Cover: Then and Now: A 2015 photo is blended with a picture of Sister Anne Lynch, circa 1959, as she surveys building progress of the Motherhouse. In 2016, renovations are underway to steward our mission of unity and reconciliation into the future.

Second floor, College Building, proposed design.
Building on the Grace of This Place

Looking to the future requires looking at our ministries and resources, too. St. Joseph Center, a 13-acre property often referred to simply as “the Motherhouse,” is underutilized. It is our desire to steward precious resources effectively for the mission. Pope Francis himself asks us to do so. As of March 2016, we are midway through Phase 1 of a three-phase renovation at St. Joseph Center.

We arrived at this moment with the help of friends. A property study team formed in 2012. We are grateful to Annette Walker (St. Joseph Health), Tita Smith (Catholic Charities, Mayor of Orange) and Father Christopher Smith (Christ Cathedral) for their effort and wisdom in this study. Our thanks extend to John Pangrazio from architectural firm NBBJ, who helped to shepherd this venture from the beginning.

Dozens of friends joined us in 2013 to help us “dare to dream” what St. Joseph Center could become. We invited groups to partner with us on this property to meet the needs of the dear neighbor and received over a dozen proposals. Months of discernment, dialogue, and due diligence helped us arrive at decisions that will create change on the St. Joseph Center property – a transforming vision to build on the grace of this place. Here is what is happening.

The College Building and USF

The College Building is located directly behind the Motherhouse. Many people know it as meeting space. The College Building houses the Loyola Institute for Spirituality (which will move to the Spirituality Building), St. Joseph Library, classrooms and the versatile Mother Louis Room. St. Joseph Library packed up in November and since then we’ve deconstructed the second floor. We’re making way for a new, deeper strategic partnership with the University of San Francisco (USF). Once again, it will truly be a College Building.

USF presented one of the intriguing proposals for our campus. The university has offered a post-graduate program in Sports Management at St. Joseph Center for well over a decade, but now we are reaching into education for various healthcare professions to meet the present and future needs of healthy communities. USF’s School of Nursing and Health Professions launched its first post-graduate cohort in Spring 2016 at St. Joseph Center, with more programs to follow. This is a qualitative shift for USF and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange because we’re integrating and uniting our history of education and health care with justice and the needs of the poor.

Lovers of St. Joseph Library should fear not. It will return on the second floor of the College Building among the high-tech classrooms. 

College Building north wing before, during, and after renovation.
The Spirituality Building Reborn

Like many buildings on campus, the Spirituality Building has seen many lives. The thick concrete building was built to train nurses during World War II. Sisters lived there, and it was an infirmary for a time. Mostly it served spiritual needs, including marriage encounter weekends and 27 years as the Center for Spiritual Development.

The inside of the Spirituality Building was deconstructed at the same time as the College Building. Construction is underway on new offices and meeting spaces. Emmaus Spiritual Ministries (see next page) will be located here. The Loyola Institute for Spirituality (LIS), a Jesuit-affiliated ministry that has operated for nearly 20 years at St. Joseph Center, will also have offices and meeting spaces in this tranquil oasis in the northwest corner of the grounds.

The Motherhouse and Grounds

We made a difficult decision about the Motherhouse. Actually, it's not THE Motherhouse; it's our fourth. We had two homes in Eureka before moving to Orange. We lived in the Burnham mansion for a few decades until this Motherhouse opened in 1960. It is bigger than what we need now, and it's a resource that can serve a greater purpose. Many sisters live elsewhere – there are over 50 living at Regina Residence and many others are in nearby homes and convents. What we really need is a place to call home, a place to gather and a place from which to be sent into the world. We have that. The small community of sisters still living at the Motherhouse generously surrendered it for a greater good.

To be clear, the Motherhouse is not sold, and it is not for sale. What's more, while we continue our due diligence with an emerging partner for ministry in this building, it has not remained empty. We have housed guests for programs and have welcomed people transitioning from homelessness into permanent housing. We envision the Motherhouse building to eventually fulfill a similar purpose: to become housing for vulnerable populations.

This property on what was once a dusty road surrounded by orange groves has frequently changed. Buildings have gone up and come down and served many purposes. It is hard to change, but we will savor stories of what once was, and venture forth with you to move the mission forward. Please join us.
We are pleased to introduce Emmaus Spiritual Ministries. Emmaus is a new name and organizational structure for several, spiritual ministries that have been active on their own. Though the Center for Spiritual Development closed in 2012, many sisters continue to serve as retreat leaders, workshop speakers and offer spiritual direction. Mission formation programs are frequently underway and the Art of Spiritual Direction, our well-known formation program for spiritual directors, has flourished. Our Liturgy and Ritual office continues to evolve.

Emmaus Spiritual Ministries brings together and expands our spiritual ministries. Emmaus Spiritual Ministries will serve as a sacred epicenter that responds to the spiritual needs of faith communities, locally and globally. It is a ministry without walls, but one that will have a home base in the new Spirituality Building.

Why “Emmaus” for a name? Luke’s Gospel describes two disciples on a 7-mile journey from Jerusalem to a little village called Emmaus. It is the day Jesus was resurrected, but the two disciples are downcast, focused on Jesus’ death and puzzled by reports of him missing from the tomb earlier that morning. Jesus, comes alongside the pair on their walk, but they do not recognize him. On the journey, Jesus explains the Scriptures and why all these things happened for the greater glory of God. When they reach Emmaus, the disciples invite Jesus to come eat with them. The breaking of the bread reveals that their companion is Jesus, then, he vanishes from their sight.

“Were not our hearts burning within us as he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?” they confided.

The Road to Emmaus story illustrates companions on a sacred journey in a world after Jesus has been resurrected. As we are all on a path leading toward God, “Emmaus” is a fitting name for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange’s spiritual ministries. To a wounded world in need of healing and compassion, Emmaus brings together all paths leading toward God.

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• Art of Spiritual Direction
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Celebrating a Jubilee in 2016

Sister Annette Bachand 80 years

Preparing the Past for the Future

Today Community Archivist is a well-established ministry for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange. But back in 1987 it didn't exist. Organizing archival materials was just one of the many tasks for the congregational secretary. That year Sister Annette Bachand finished a five-decade ministry in the classroom, teaching students grades 2-8. So when she was handed the role of Community Archivist, she was flummoxed. For about 30 seconds. Then she set in motion an Archives that is cherished by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange.

“Other Archivists visit us and tell us our Archives is very professional,” says Leo Catahan, one of the current Archivists for the congregation. “It’s all because of Sister Annette.”

Right away Sister Annette foresaw the importance of her new ministry. The records and historical progression of the congregation would be invaluable for any leadership team seeking guidance or perspective on contemporary challenges. She quickly set to work.

Her background in education served her well. She was dutifully organized, task-oriented, and eager to learn. At a conference for religious archivists she met Brother Denis Sennett and partnered with him to set up a system for the Archives.

Prior to her leadership, the Archives was an informal record of the congregation. Sister Annette instituted structure, standards, and policies that are still in use. Although she retired in 2002, her legacy is evident every time a historical document or photo is referenced or a question about the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange is answered.

Our past informs our present. Sister Annette knew and respected that. Under her guidance the Archives became and remains today a living, breathing record of the Sisters and their history.

Sister Lillian Bartosik 75 years

A Chinese Mission, Two Rosaries and More

Sister Lillian Bartosik has a long history in our CSJ educational ministry. Early on, she was missioned to a few well-established schools: St. George’s in Ontario, St. Joseph’s in Santa Ana, St. Mary’s in Fullerton, and St. Bernard’s in Eureka.

Within a decade, Sister Lillian was at the high school level and helping newer schools get off the ground. She was one of the first teachers at co-ed Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana. Sister Lillian then served at all girls Rosary High School in San Diego as principal and local superior from 1956 to 1965. Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Elementary School was in the same block and was also staffed by Sisters of St. Joseph.

She then moved north to serve as the founding principal of Rosary High School in Fullerton. The school had yet to be built, so five trailers were used as classrooms for 55 ninth-graders. In addition to College Prep courses, Rosary offered Art, P.E., Driver’s Ed. and Glee. “It was an exciting experience!” she declared.

Sister Lillian returned to Rosary San Diego as a teacher, coordinated the Motherhouse in Orange for a few years, and even worked as a Counselor at Loyola Marymount University for a time. Traveling further north, she assisted for a couple of years at All Hallows School in San Francisco, but St. Mary’s Chinese Mission proved to be her longest tenure. She served at the San Francisco institution for 20 years in every capacity imaginable. Teacher: yes. Receptionist: check. Student Advisor: affirmative. Archivist: verified. Parish staff: you bet.

Upon her retirement, Sister Lillian volunteered as a tutor at Nativity School in Santa Ana, assisting fifth graders with Reading and Social Studies. “All is grace,” says Sister Lillian. “With gratitude for all the teaching and learning experiences along the way – most of all for my students who are everywhere – I give thanks.”

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Loving It All Along the Way

Always friendly, Sister Florence can be recognized by her laugh, which she shares often. A parent of one her students nicknamed her Sister Smiley. She is frequently found in someone's doorway, checking in about what's new. The comfortable rapport she builds with people was a foundation at several local convents where she served as a housekeeper while additionally cooking in the kitchen at an assortment of healthcare sites.

“At Los Banos, I did everything but deliver a baby,” says Sister Florence. Los Banos, CA was the location of City Clinic, a small, healthcare ministry and one of the places where she served. Thinking about her missions, Sister Florence explains matter-of-factly, “You just did what you were told, and if you didn’t know how to do something, you learned it.”

Sister Florence could also be found in the classroom. She taught second and third grade, but also at the high school level, including ten years at Mater Dei in Santa Ana. “Home Economics and Foods were my subjects,” recalls Sister Florence. Teaching a Home Economics class to all boys is among her favorite memories in education.

She assisted in operations at St. Jude Medical Center in the 70s, and worked at the Motherhouse for six years coordinating retreats and workshops. Sister Florence's most enduring place of service was in the Sisters’ Finance Office where she provided assistance for 20 years. Need to run to the bank for a deposit or get a check signed? Sister Florence was your person. “I tried to help with anything I could in the Finance office.”

Reflecting on her 75th Jubilee, Sister Florence smiles and shrugs, “I was 20-years-old when I entered. Now I'm 95. I've loved it all along the way.”

We rejoice with gratitude for our Sisters and their response to God’s call. Celebrating Jubilee years in 2016 are:

80th Jubilee
Sister Annette Bachand

75th Jubilee
Sister Florence Hund
Sister Lillian Bartosik

70th Jubilee
Sister Margaret Ann Chincholle
Sister Thecla Chuml
Sister Judith Wemmer

60th Jubilee
Sister Michaela Rock
Sister Rosaleen Hanlon
Sister Charleen Robinson
Sister Sharon Fritsch

50th Jubilee
Sister Linda Faulhaber
Sister Christine Hilliard

Look for more stories featuring these remarkable women in 2016.
In Remembrance:

Sister Margaret Eilerman

On New Year’s Day in 1946 Sister Margaret Eilerman entered the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange. In the following decades she became a board member of five hospitals and of the Interfaith Network. She spent ten years as Director of Catholic Charities in Marin County. She lived a life of love and peacefully passed away on November 15, 2015. She was 87. This year would have been her 70th Jubilee.

Like many sisters she started her ministry in the classroom, serving as a teacher and principal for over 20 years. Later, as a counselor at Catholic Charities in San Diego, she learned to deliver babies and often accompanied girls in the delivery room. She also assisted with adoptions and stayed in contact with many of those children as they grew up, graduated college, and got married.

In the Santa Rosa Diocese the Bishop assigned Sister Margaret, then serving as Director of Development, to “troubleshoot” in the Parishes. No one was better suited to the task. Her sweet, generous nature built friendships and spread compassion wherever she went.

Her warmth and encouraging spirit endures today in the countless lives she touched.

Sister Margaret Ann Chincholle 70 years

Loving Acceptance in All Things

When Sister Margaret Ann turned 18 she had already been teaching for three months. Teaching had never been her life’s plan but she happily made it her life’s work. She spent the next 58 years in the classroom and found joy just in knowing she was helping her students.

You may think Sister Margaret Ann, standing under 5 feet tall, is easily overwhelmed. Perhaps some of her students initially thought so too. She is reserved, quiet, and soft spoken. But she is unshakably calm and cannot be intimidated. Her small stature conceals a big heart and an authoritative presence. Students respected her both for requiring them to work hard and for loving them no matter what.

Nothing and no one was ever too big for Sister Margaret Ann to handle.

Step in to teach 5th grade French when it turned out the assigned teacher couldn’t actually speak French? No problem; she’d majored in the language at Mount St. Mary’s University and her Father was French, after all.

Traverse Orange County teaching elementary school and occasionally venture up north to San Francisco, Arcata, and Eureka? She would pack her bags in a heartbeat.

“It didn’t bother me,” she said. Wherever the congregation needed her and whatever they needed her to do, she agreed. Among the most prominent memories of her time in ministry are the eight years she lived and worked at St. Eugene’s in Santa Rosa, CA. Her students were bright and sweet natured. She loved the close knit community and camaraderie among the staff. But when the time came to transition to another school she went without a fuss. The ministry was the focus, the location was not.

Sister Margaret Ann summarizes her outlook this way: “Be open, be understanding, and accept what comes.”
**Sister Judith Wemmer 70 years**

**God’s Unwavering Faithfulness**

At age 19 Sister Judith Wemmer had several paths before her. She could get married. She could finish her nursing degree at UCLA. Or she could respond to the persistent call she felt to join the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange. She chose the latter and has never looked back.

When describing her life, Sister Judith always comes back to the terms “praise” and “thankfulness.” Both speak of her gratitude to community and for God’s faithfulness on their mutual journey through her life. Especially when it seemed to change often.

The first test came right away. Although she had never been a teacher, within months of entering the congregation Sister Judith was teaching second and third graders. That began 30 years of enriching the lives of students from elementary school all the way through junior college. Then her ministry took its first abrupt turn. She became a hospital chaplain, providing support and compassion to patients and their families in Orange County, CA and in Lubbock, TX.

While in Texas another opportunity crossed her path. Sisters in Australia needed help running their hostel. Sister Judith jumped on a plane and made her first ever trip to Australia to step in. After three years, she returned to the U.S. and was soon called in yet another direction.

She joined the staff of Bethany (now Bethany House), a transitional living ministry for homeless women, as the Assistant Director. It was in this role she found the intersection of all of her ministries: teaching, counseling, and compassionate care. She discovered the importance of what Pope Francis terms “the apostolate of the ear,” giving others a safe, judgment-free space to talk. Today Sister Judith continues to provide companionship and encouragement as a Spiritual Director at Regis House in Los Angeles, CA.

When she thinks about her 70 years as a sister, she sees it as three-fold: prayer, community, and being about the mission of Jesus. She’s never needed anything else.

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**Sister Thecla Chuml 70 years**

**Stepping Into the Gaps**

Sister Thecla Chuml’s education ministry covered so much territory that her travel miles resembled a foreign missionary. She taught in 16 schools from San Diego to Eureka, east to Lubbock, Texas and west to Makawao, Maui. Most of her classroom time was with fourth and fifth graders, but she also led grades three and eight with a kindergarten assignments mixed in.

Early in her ministry, Sister Thecla would fill in the gaps at different schools. “What happened was you would renew your vows, then, go out to another location,” describes Sister Thecla. “Vow renewals could be in March, so you went from one school to another sometimes before the year was over.”

Sister Thecla knew to always have her bag packed. “Things change. You adjust to the times. We've done a lot of that,” she says.

When the congregation opened its retirement facility, Regina Residence, in 1974, Sister Thecla was there. “I volunteered to be an activity director and eventually got the job.” Sister Thecla was one of the first staff members to assist her older sisters; a position she served in for a decade. It felt good to stay in one place for a while.

Head Librarian at St. Joseph Library is another need she filled. Bringing the computer and other technology into the Library were proud achievements. Sister Thecla curated the Library for 15 years before retiring in 2000. She continued to volunteer in the early 2000s, helping in hospice with St. Joseph Home Health, and operating a smaller library for Sisters at Regina Residence.

Entrance Day and her Final Vows are happy memories for which Sister Thecla gives thanks to God. She gratefully expresses, “You got me here, and then you kept me!”

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The Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange are transplants from Eureka, California. One of the congregation's earliest missions sent Sisters nearly 1000 miles south from the cool trees of Humboldt County to the hot, southern outpost of Brawley, California. The good work in Brawley caught the eye of the only other priest in the Imperial Valley, Father Henry Eummelen. The priest found himself reassigned to St. Joseph Church in Santa Ana the next year. He promptly contacted the Sisters from Eureka to staff his parish school. It was 1916.

A future in Eureka seemed all but certain under the leadership of Sacramento's Bishop Grace, a good friend to the community. But Bishop Grace died at the end of 1921. A meeting with his successor made it clear that opportunities would be too limited for the rapidly growing congregation.

Broadly interpreting an invitation from Bishop Cantwell of Los Angeles, Mother Bernard moved quickly. Within a few months, these Sisters decided to relocate their Motherhouse and Novitiate, bought a 20-acre property on the outskirts of Orange, and received Canonical approval to do it. The new Motherhouse was blessed on June 23, 1922. A dear friend who first invited us to Orange County, now Monsignor Eummelen, helped to make the move a reality.

The Sisters of St. Joseph were drawn here, and from here, Sisters encountered the world on missions as far as Papua New Guinea. St. Joseph Hospital was built on the back of the property and opened in 1929. In Fullerton, the General Hospital was purchased in 1931 and Sisters began staffing St. Mary's School in 1932. Every year or two, a new ministry in education, health care and social services rippled out from Orange: Holy Family School, Mater Dei and Rosary High Schools, St. Jude
Medical Center, Mission Hospital, Taller San Jose Hope Builders, Bethany House, St. Joseph Workers and more.

This is only a fragment of the congregation’s story, and the characters are not all Sisters and clergy. People in the community unite with Sisters of St. Joseph to serve our neighbors in need. Over decades, there are thousands of people like Monsignor Eummelen that have come alongside the congregation; companions with a shared history and a relationship wrapped in the Great Love of God.

You may be one of these people. If so, the Sisters invite you to drop them a line. Visit the Contact Us page of the website to share a story or just to say hello. You can even pop a letter in the mail.

This 100-year milestone is a cause to pause; to look forward with gratitude for what has already been, and to count blessings which have always had relationships attached. Whether you are in Orange County or a little further out, be assured that your companionship is treasured and lifted up in the prayers of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange.

Those Who Stand With Us

Margaret Elliott Witnesses the Continuity of the Charism

Margaret Elliott once joked with Sister Paula Comeau that she needed a part-time job to accompany her stay-at-home mom role. As it happened, there was a need to “answer the bells” (the telephone) at Regina Residence. Margaret was soon a part-time employee of the Sisters of St. Joseph. That was 1990.

Adding many more duties over the years, Margaret serves as an Assistant Director at Regina Residence, where many sisters live in their later years. “We do anything to help our team make the whole operation work for the Sisters,” she explains. In one bizarre episode, “doing anything needed” meant helping sell wedding dresses donated to the congregation.

“Privilege” and “honor” fill Margaret’s descriptions of working alongside nuns. “This is a wonderful place to be,” she says. “Walking with the Sisters is always a journey forward.”

Margaret and her family embraced the Sisters. They felt at home attending Mass at Sacred Heart Chapel often leaving with a sense of joy. At times, Margaret’s daughters dropped by, and her husband Ron would use his truck to take care of some errand. The Elliotts took pride in partnering with ministries like Bethany and Taller San Jose. “We had a heart for how Sisters would find a need, get things started to meet the need, and eventually let it go for others to carry on. Then they’d find a new need. Sisters opened up a world around us and how I can participate in it.”

“What they are doing now, looking forward, is courageous to see.”

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**SISTER MARIANNA GEMMET, CSJ**
59 Years a Sister of St. Joseph of Orange

**SISTER CLAIRE OLIVIER, CSJ**
March 28, 1928 - December 31, 2015
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It is our sincere intention that the names of all our Donors, Employees, Honorees, Memorials and Vendors be represented and spelled correctly. If there has been an error in a listing, please contact the Development Office at (714) 633-8121 extension 7720 or 4408. We will be happy to publish a correction in our next issue.

El Niño, the Christ Child

Not a day goes by in California without mention of El Niño, causing heavy rains from warm waters of South America in areas that are dry. This flow of warm water typically happens at Christmas, so the literal translation of El Niño is ‘the child’ or ‘the Christ child’.

This Spanish translation comforts me at a time when California is also significantly behind on rainfall. We need months of rain throughout the spring for the 5-year drought to be over.

You may ask “what does this have to do with stewardship and giving?” Like so many of you who give generous support to the Sisters, we also ask ourselves if we are good stewards of creation. Are we joyful for God-given beauty and nature? Do we protect and preserve the environment, including water? Do we respect human life and shield others from harm or assault? And, do we help develop our world through our work lives – physical labor, trades, professions, science and the arts?

God created the world and entrusted it to human beings. There is sanctity in caring for and cultivating the world. Please consider supporting this ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange – with time, financial support, prayers and service – to educate and promote equitable access to Earth’s resources for all people.

For more information about our Ecological Justice ministry, call Maria Elena Perales at the Justice Center at (714) 633-8121, extension 7716. To reach Carol Hunold in the Development Office, call (714) 744-3121 or e-mail chunold@csjorange.org.
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We often receive gifts that are designated for “whereever the need is greatest.” Thank you for your faith in our stewardship! Here are some of the ways you make a difference.

**$1000**

- Provides medicine and health care through a free medical clinic for the poor in Tijuana
- Helps a nursing student buy books, pay tuition and move into better opportunities for employment
- Provides food and bus transportation to distant schools for many poor families in El Salvador

**$500**

- Helps provide shelter and transportation for St. Joseph Workers who serve the needs of the poor and vulnerable at Family Resource Center at Mission Hospital and Taller San Jose’ Hope Builders
- Helps our Emmaus ministry respond to the spiritual needs of local and global faith communities through speakers, retreats, spiritual direction and volunteer program formation

**$250**

- Provides hands on service to victims of human trafficking, the imprisoned or those living with AIDS
- Provides ministerial formation or leadership training for K-12 Catholic school educators to build a world of peace and justice, one student at a time
We Invite You to Join Us

Save the Date

Holy Week in Sacred Heart Chapel
Palm Sunday, March 20, 9:00 a.m.
Holy Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday, March 25, 3:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday, March 26, 7:00 p.m.
Easter, March 27, 9:00 a.m.

Speaker Series Featuring Gina Marie Seriel
Founder of Our Father's Table
Thursday, April 14, 6:30 p.m.
Mending Self-Worth, Self-Esteem and Dignity:
Our Homeless Brothers and Sisters

Founders' Day - Day of Service in Our Communities
Saturday, October 15

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In the spirit of hospitality, we invite you to visit our Motherhouse Heritage Room. For more information on scheduling a tour, please call Carol Hunold at (714) 744-3121 or e-mail chunold@csjorange.org.

Sundays
Please join us any Sunday for 8:00 a.m. Liturgy in our Sacred Heart Chapel.