

E-VOC

evoke: 1. to call forth 2. to re-create imaginatively



CALENDAR

July 4, 2015

Installation of new SC Leadership Team
4 p.m., Motherhouse chapel

July 26, 2015

Silver/Golden Jubilee Celebration
10:30 a.m., Motherhouse chapel

August 4-8, 2015

Catholics on Call Young Adult Conference
Catholic Theological Union, Chicago, Illinois

Sept. 6, 2015

Diamond Jubilee Celebration
10:30 a.m., Motherhouse chapel

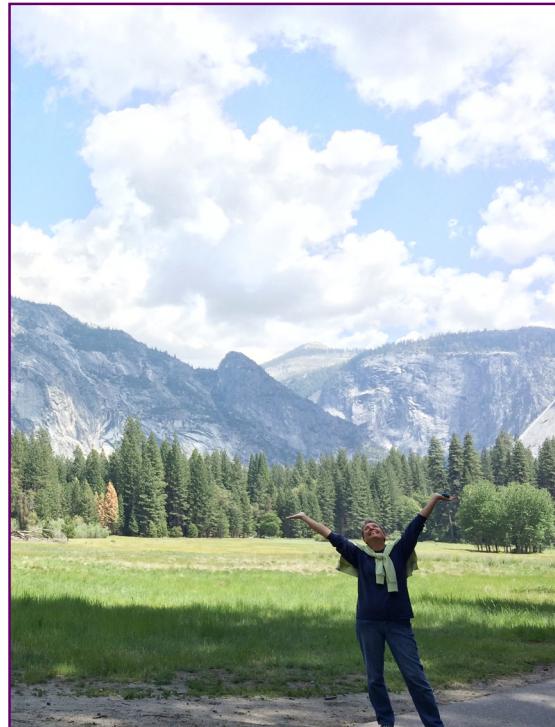


Congratulations to Sisters Tracy Kemme (front, left) and Andrea Koverman who professed First Vows on Saturday, June 27. To view additional pictures from the celebration please visit www.srcharitycinti.org. More to come in our August issue!

Vocation Vacation

By S. Janet Gildea

“**S**ummertime ... and the livin’ is easy ... fish are jumpin’... and the cotton is high ...” So goes the song from *Porgy and Bess*, the opera by George Gershwin. The lazy flow of the lyrics carries you into a peaceful place ... “so hush, little baby, don’ you cry...” You can almost feel the heat and humidity of “Summertime,” slowing you down and inviting you to be still. Let go of the hot mess of activity and be attentive for the little breeze of the Spirit that waits to blow across your life.



Vacation days and summer holidays offer a break in the action, allowing you to shed the routine of ordinary time. Visiting new places, being amazed at natural wonders, enjoying foods that are synonymous with summer, indulging yourself with extra rest and novels saved for beach reading, all of this summer fun can be an occasion for the breakthrough of God in your life! But will you take notice?

A tiny discipline for the summer months can help you tune-in to the times God is visiting you. Before you make your first move out of the bed, sit for a moment and take a breath as your feet touch the floor. Be conscious, awake, alert, aware of the gift of the new day. Then pray a simple phrase of your own choosing – something easy to remember like, “Let me see You more clearly, love You more dearly, follow You more nearly today.” That’s it. You have voiced your intention to live the day open to God’s call. Let the vocation vacation begin!

Future of Charity Blog “El Paso”



Pre-entrant Denise Morris reflects on the “steps” she has taken in her discernment journey. To read more, visit the Future of Charity blog at: <http://futureofcharity.blogspot.com/2015/06/el-paso.html>.

Diary of a Sister-in-Training: “Some ‘Splaining’”

S. Tracy Kemme started this blog when she began Affiliation with the Sisters of Charity three years ago. Her most recent post summarizes the experience of formation using the metaphor of a dating relationship. On June 27 she and Andrea Koverman professed first vows, for a period of three years. Tracy's blog gives an insider's view of the discernment process. Though the “in-training” portion of the diary has concluded, lifelong learning of religious vocation continues. Visit Tracy's blog at <http://sisterintraining.blogspot.com/>.



(From left) Sisters Tracy Kemme and Andrea Koverman

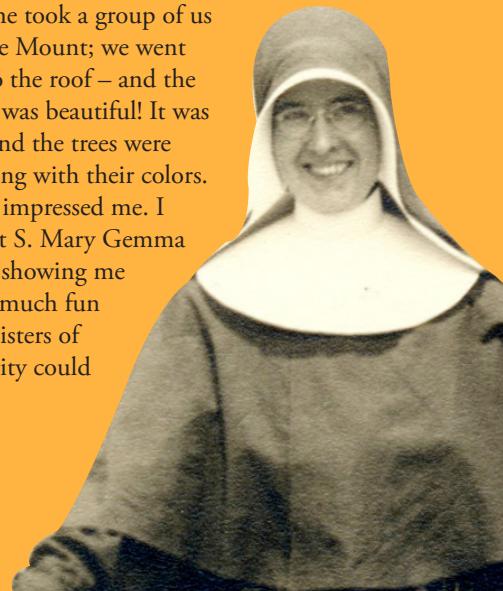
My Mentor – **S. Mary Gemma Gunn**

By S. Barbara Muth

Even though I went to a Catholic grade school growing up in Dayton, Ohio, I was not taught by Sisters of Charity. I went to a public high school but attended religion classes at St. Albert the Great Parish in Dayton, taught by three Sisters of Charity ministering at Corpus Christi. S. Mary Gemma Gunn was one of them. The thing that struck me most about the Sisters was how they teased each other and laughed. I had never seen women religious have such fun before I met the Sisters of Charity.

I knew since I was little that God was calling me to be a Sister, but I kept saying no, no, no. Then I met the Sisters of Charity. They interested me because they seemed so real, especially S. Mary Gemma. I could see myself being a Sister like that. So, finally, I shared my thoughts and feelings with her and she gave me the information I needed.

She took a group of us to the Mount; we went up to the roof – and the view was beautiful! It was fall and the trees were striking with their colors. That impressed me. I credit S. Mary Gemma with showing me how much fun the Sisters of Charity could be.



S. Mary Gemma Gunn

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