



To seek out and advocate
for the poor and needy,
especially families,
for the Kingdom of God.

Holy Family Sisters

JANUARY 2012

Please join us as we celebrate

National Vocation Awareness Week



- ...those called to married life
- ...those called to single life
- ...those called to consecrated life
- ...those called to ordained life

Prayer Service followed by refreshments
Thursday, January 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

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National Migration Week 2012: January 8-14

Just as on the road to Emmaus, Christ's disciples met him in the guise of a stranger, this year's theme helps remind us that Christ makes himself present to each of us in the lonesome traveler, the newcomer, and the migrant.

We are called to open our hearts and provide hospitality to those in need. It is our duty to create a space of welcome and acceptance to the migrant who finds himself or herself far away from home and in a vulnerable situation.



2012 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

On January 18 - 25, 2012, Christian Churches throughout the world will join in prayer asking the Lord to restore oneness to the Christian community.

As we pray for and strive towards the full visible unity of the church we - and the traditions to which we

belong - will be changed, transformed and conformed to the likeness of Christ. The unity for which we pray may require the renewal of forms of Church life with which we are familiar.

This is an exciting vision but it may fill us with some fear! The unity for which we pray is not merely a "comfortable" notion of friendliness and co-operation. It requires a willingness to dispense with competition between us. We need to open ourselves to each other, to offer gifts to and receive gifts from one another, so that we might truly enter into the new life in Christ, which is the only true victory.

*We will all be changed
by the victory of our Lord
Jesus Christ
- cf. 1 Cor 15:51-58*

So Many Ways You Can Participate with the Sisters of the Holy Family

- Come to an event, like the trip to Sacramento.
- Join us in prayer; for instance, at mass held regularly in our Chapel or at an upcoming prayer service.
- Make a Gift of Prayer for special intentions, remembrances or tributes to a loved one. Links from our Home Webpage.
- Remember the Sisters in your estate planning.
- Join our monthly giving program. Even at a few dollars a month, it makes a huge difference.
- Join our Associates or Guild. Call for more information.
- If you are called to religious life, visit with us at a "Come and See" day.
- Join us digitally: on Facebook, Twitter and even Google+. Links on our Home Webpage. Join our Email list!

Do You Feel Called to Religious Life?

We are bonded to each other by spirituality, community life, shared vision and ministry.

"Come and See"

- Saturday, January 14, 2012 in Fremont, CA
- Saturday, February 25, 2012 in Reno, NV

For more information, please contact Sister Mary Lange at maryl@holyfamilysisters.org

Associates: Another Step in the Journey We are grateful for your spirit!



Congratulations to our Prospective Associates who will be making their first covenant in January, 2012. We also take this opportunity to express our gratitude to our Associates and Sisters who walked with Trent, Lisa, Rachel, Virginia and Lin in a variety of ways during this two year journey. Some took the responsibility of Sponsor; others shared the congregational stories and ministries, and all had the opportunity to welcome them to community events, extending Holy Family hospitality and reflecting the charism in amazing ways. Motherhouse Celebration will take place on January 15, 2012.

WOMEN & spirit
CATHOLIC SISTERS IN AMERICA

Join Us on a Trip to The California Museum in Sacramento March 3, 2012

Departing from Mission Dolores, 3321 Sixteenth Street
San Francisco, CA 94114

Cost: \$45.00 per person (includes round trip bus fare,
lunch, and admission to the museum.)

All reservations are first come, first serve.

For more information about this exhibit, please visit
womenandspirit.com

For more information about the bus trip, please write
womenandspirit@gmail.com

Call Sr. Angela at 510-624-4592 to make reservations.

