



MISSION MOMENTUM

# NOTRE DAME SISTERS

## ANNUAL REPORT

JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019



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JULY 1, 2018-  
JUNE 30, 2019  
NOTRE DAME  
SISTERS  
LEADERSHIP  
TEAM

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Sr. Margaret Hickey,  
Provincial President

Sr. Joy Connealy

Sr. Rita Ostry

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## MISSION

We accept from God the call to reach out to people with unmet needs, to nurture in them a conviction of God's love that they may recognize their own gifts in and through the limitations and pain.



# LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

This past year has seen big changes and exciting developments for the Notre Dame Sisters and the communities we serve, contributing to an air of momentum.



We welcomed Sandra Koch as our new Vice President of Advancement. Sandra will build upon the momentum we've created over the years. We look forward to Sandra's building on the momentum of our advancement efforts and anxiously await the blessings that will pour forth.

Additionally, we Sisters were invited to participate in a program to build our capacity to attract needed resources to sustain our missions for decades. We continue to support our missions – Notre Dame Housing, Safe Homes, Coalition on Human Trafficking, and individual missions we hold close to our hearts – immigration, education, and advocacy. The Coalition on Human Trafficking is gaining momentum and is now its own nonprofit organization with several Sisters still actively working with the Coalition.

In March, we celebrated the Spirit that infuses the Notre Dame Sisters and staff at our annual dinner. Julie Kaminski, CFO of Immanuel was honored for her advocacy of the elderly. The Spirit we celebrate is one of giving and love that flows from the many donors and volunteers who are faithful to us year after year. Our work would not be possible without you, and we celebrate you.

May the Lord continue to bless us all as we move forward in love and faith to make a difference.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sr. Margaret Hickey, ND". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

SR. MARGARET HICKEY, ND  
Provincial President



## ADVANCING THE MISSION

**For two millennia, women religious have greatly enriched the Church and advanced the common good. Our community continues today to impact the lives of so many.**

**As our congregation changes with our aging population, we look at ways to ensure our legacy remains impactful. Our fundraising efforts are focusing on the future and how to ensure the Notre Dame Sisters' legacy lives on well after we do.**

**YOUR PARTNERSHIP** with us throughout the years has been so important and these coming years will continue to be even more invaluable. Our spirit continues to remain strong. Religious life evolves quickly but the Notre Dame Sisters remain committed to our mission, vision, and the needs of the unmet.

**OMAHA GIVES** donations increased by 48%. We raised more than \$16,000 and even won an hourly drawing! Thank you, Omaha Steaks. We could not have done it without each and every one of our amazing supporters.





# FINANCIALS

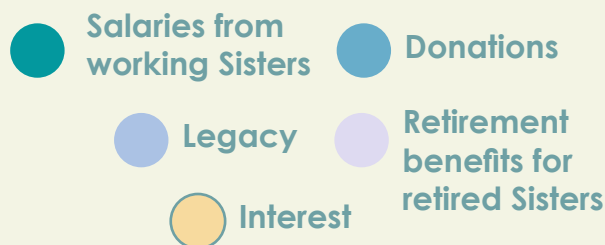
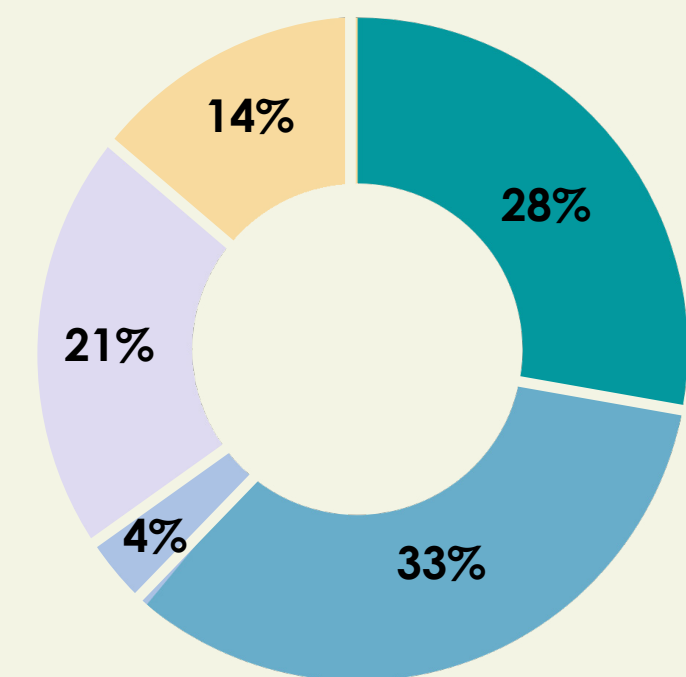
We were blessed to reach \$1.48M between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019 in income.

The income comes from a variety of sources such as salaries of those Sisters who are employed and Social Security and retirement benefits of those that have retired, along with donations and charitable contributions from individuals and organizations we partner with.

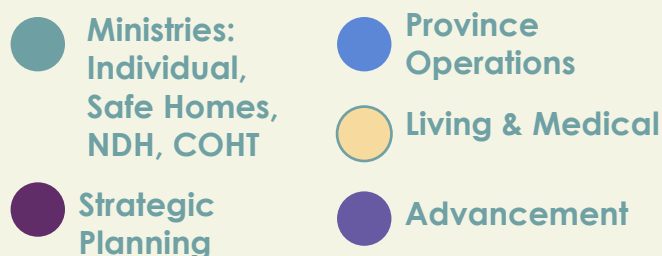
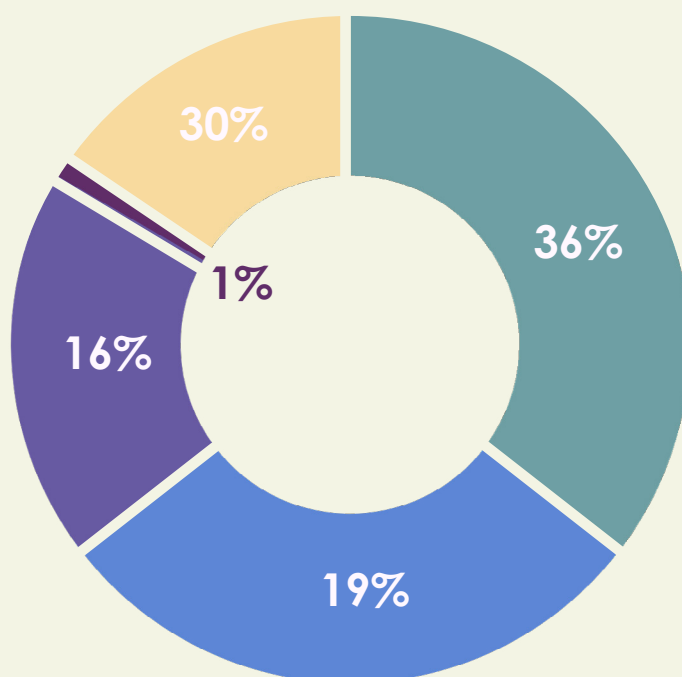
Our general operating income is down from last year's \$1.72 million. This is attributed to the decrease in the number of Sisters employed. Currently, we have one Sister working full time.

Our legacy donations which are donations bestowed to the Sisters from wills and estates of supporters increased significantly from 4% of our income to 11%. This is a true testament to the impact the Sisters have had on so many individuals.

## INCOME 2018-19



## EXPENSES 2018-19



General expenses were slightly down from last year as we worked hard to adjust to the changing demographic of our Province. Our expenses consisted of two main categories: ministries and medical/living expenses of the Sisters. These categories make up 62% of our expenses. We anticipate our living and medical expenses of the Sisters to increase each year.

We are proud that we support our ministries such as the Coalition on Human Trafficking, Safe Homes, Notre Dame Housing, and the Sisters' Individual Ministries.

# NOTRE DAME HOUSING (NDH)

Our property in Florene has served many purposes and met many needs since it was purchased over a 100 years ago. It is now a blessing to have senior citizens enjoying fantastic and affordable housing here.

NDH is very important to our lasting legacy. Senior housing is a growing need and we are proud to have recognized this in 1997. NDH remains:

- the only nonprofit in Omaha offering affordable housing, social, and supportive services, along with a senior center for the larger community
- at capacity with 118 residents
- active in housing assistance, providing \$231,719 in housing assistance last year

## FOOD PANTRY

Seven Oaks Senior Center was named for the farm Father Flanagan sold to the Sisters in 1920. In a legacy Flanagan would be proud of, the senior center has truly begun serving the entire local community. The food pantry, for instance, provides food to 100 people or more every week, totaling more than 51,000 pounds of food served last year and over 5,000 lunches annually.

## WELLNESS CENTER

The on-site fitness center continues to grow as a new bike and new flooring were added. "I use the fitness center every day, and my muscles get more toned all the time," said Kathryn, a Notre Dame Housing resident. "I confess, I probably wouldn't be working out every day if we didn't have the equipment right here."

## SERVICE COORDINATION

NDH offers service coordination to seniors ranging from medical screenings, dentistry, tenant education, Medicaid; and Medicare assistance. Fighting senior isolation every day is an important part of the philosophy at Notre Dame Housing.







## COALITION ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

In 2014, we Notre Dame Sisters recognized human trafficking becoming an epidemic. We teamed up with the Servants of Mary and the Sisters of Mercy to begin the Coalition on Human Trafficking.

This fiscal year was a huge accomplishment for us Notre Dame Sisters as the Coalition on Human Trafficking officially became its own 501© 3. This is the ultimate goal for all of our ministries - that they eventually stand on their own.

### CONTINUAL NEED

Sex trafficking isn't a problem of the past – it's an epidemic in the here and now, even in the Omaha Metro area. Today, more people live in slavery than at any other time in history.

### INCREASED INTEREST

Since becoming its own nonprofit, the Coalition has since trained employees in 35 additional hotels and motels in a 50-mile radius for a total of over 150 hospitality organizations that have gone through our (English and Spanish) training program. Other countries are also asking for our training materials.

### YOUR ROLE

After our training, you will train staff at hotels and motels around your community about the signs of human trafficking and how to respond appropriately. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer trainer, please complete the form at [notrafficking.org](http://notrafficking.org).



## SAFE HOMES PROGRAM

**Our Safe Homes Ministry grows each and every year, and we are grateful to fill the unmet need domestic abuse shelters expressed to us: help women secure an apartment so they do not have to come back to the shelter, or worse, return to an abuser.**

Arrests in the Omaha Metro area for domestic violence are up 49% over the past three years, and half of those arrested had previous assault charges, according to the Women's Fund of Omaha. Moreover, our partners in six local shelters anticipate a 5-10% increase in women seeking shelter from violence in 2020. Your support can truly make a difference in the life of a woman and her children.

### DIRECT SUPPORT TO WOMEN

In 2018, we sponsored 112 women and 150 children with financial assistance for a deposit on an apartment or first month's utilities. We also provide encouragement during the first year to become successful renters. A Sister provides regular contact with the recipient to ensure timely rental payments and to help with additional community services.



# INDIVIDUAL MINISTRIES



**We each have individual passions that lead into many other ministries.**

**From Hospice care to drug and alcohol treatment, to advocating for human rights, we find time to serve God through our individual work. Here are some highlights:**

## EDUCATION

We Sisters have been proud educators for hundreds of years, even before we came to the United States. While many of us are retired, some still teach full or part time. Sister Mary Ann Zimmer is a current faculty member at Marywood University in Pennsylvania where she teaches religious studies.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS IN GUATEMALA

Sisters have been traveling to Guatemala for decades working health and community projects. One major focus in Guatemala is to help with clean drinking water. In fact, Sister Mary Kay Meagher frequently travels to Guatemala. Sisters who can no longer travel still support through prayer, or sending items from hygiene supplies to homemade dresses.

## ADVOCACY

We have always been risk takers, in fact, it's written into our vows. Did you know that we, along with the Servants of Mary and Mercy Sisters, all hold signs as a witness to the mothers and children separated from their families at the border? Every Thursday since June some of us have stood during rush hour to advocate for humane treatment of people crossing our borders.

# YEAR IN REVIEW

## JULY 1 2018-JUNE 30, 2019

### JUBILARIANS

**WE CELEBRATED** Sr. Celeste Wobeter, ND – 60 Years of Religious Profession; Sr. Cynthia Hruby, ND – 50 years of Religious Profession; Sister Mary Kay Meagher, ND – 60 Years of Religious Profession. Congratulations. We are blessed to have you in our congregation.



### CELEBRATION OF SPIRIT

**MORE THAN \$100,000** was raised in one night, a record for us! We appreciate all of the businesses and individuals that provided Silent Auction items and underwriting which makes this our premier event of the year.



### KOLACHE SALE

#### **RAISING FUNDS FOR OUR SAFE HOMES MINISTRY**

Sisters made hundreds of dozens of kolaches to sell at the annual Florence Pottery tour. Volunteers and associates chipped in and we raised a total of \$600 for local women renting their first apartment after leaving a domestic abuse shelter.



### PORK DINNER

**A TRADITIONAL CZECH AFTERNOON** was celebrated by hundreds of people at St Philip Neri's Activity Center. Traditional music and dancing, Czech dumplings and pork, raffles and so much more added to the fun. We love providing this piece of our heritage to the community. Thanks to Mary Our Queen and St Philip Neri Knights of Columbus for making this event possible.





WE ♥ OUR  
ALUMNAE OF  
NOTRE DAME  
ACADEMY

MEMORIES FROM  
THE ALUMNAE REUNION

—  
JUNE 22, 2019  
ST. LEO'S CATHOLIC CHURCH





# NOTRE DAME SISTERS PRAY FOR...

The purpose of the Notre Dame Memorial and Prayer Associations is to provide an opportunity to honor, in a significant way, a friend on a happy occasion, someone in need of special prayers, or a loved one who has passed away. Below is a list of those enrolled in the Memorial Association:

Abbott, Jo Ann E	Beer, Gerald Joseph "Jerry"	Bross, Nancy	Collins, Dr Griffith G & Josephine
Abbott, Joseph J	Beers, Ruth L	Brumm, Kathryn	Coniglio, John F
Abboud, Bonny Ruth	Begley, Regina Ann	Brutsche, Mary Jeanette	Conley, Rev Martin P
Adams, Josephine A	Belik, Lillian A	Buck Jr, Earl L	Connealy, Margaret Ann
Adler, Leonard R	Bender, Vera A	Buckingham, Mildred Hraban	Connealy, Mary Jo
Agosta, Mary L	Benes, Celestine A "Sally"	Buetel, Clarence "C.J."	Connor, Jane B
Aguirre Sr, Roman J	Bennett, Kaye	Burenheide, LaVera	Connor, Maxine B
Aitken, Carol Gilson	Berggren, John R	Burggraff, Frances M	Contreras, Eli
Alff, PhD, Marvin J	Betzen, Eric J	Busse, Elizabeth Ann	Cordes, Karen A
Allen, Alyce M	Beyke, Norbert	Butera, Helen M	Corey, Miana
Allen, Kathleen Mary	Bianchi, Edward "Eddie"	Byrne, Gene D	Corredor, Leonor
Allen, Rosemary L	Bielefeld, Richard A	Byrne, Roberta Anne	Costello, Julie Christine
Allenstein, Carla C	Bilek, Timothy T	Bystrek, Patrick J	Coufal, Evelyn A
Almgren, Richard D	Biondo, Marie C	Campbell, Lydia	Crocker, Richard E
Amaral, Gilbert Lawrence	Bleason, Kevin Paul	Canaday, Trevor J	Crook, Janice Swank
Andrews, Margaret "Marge"	Bode, Jan	Capps, Ruth M	Crook, Jean Marie
Arkwright, Mary E	Bodnar, Rosemary T Anson	Carlson, Carlyle W "Carl"	Crosby, Sarah Earlene
Asmussen, Mildred	Bohuslavsky, Agnes A	Carlson, Ray W	Cross, Richard
Babcock, Marion K	Boisen, Elaine M	Carpenter, Frank M	Crowell, Kathleen M
Bader, Laverne Tressa	Boje, John F	Carr, Sue Ann	Culhane, Bonnie
Baird, Janet	Boland, Mary Jean	Carrig, Phyllis M	Cundari, Peggy McNulty
Baird, Maria	Boldebuck, Marlene J	Casaccio, Ellen A	Curran, Rita A
Baldwin, April Mae	Bond, Curtis William "Willie"	Catton, Patricia M	Cushing, Dennis J
Baratta, Bernard A	Borgen, Laura Hansen	Cavlovic, Eleanor J	Czyz, Dorothy A
Barnes, Deacon William J	Bottner, Sylvia	Cavlovic, James S	Daley, Dorothy A
Barnes, Eugene	Boukal, Anna Marie	Cech, Betty J	Dalton, James D
Barrett, Frank J	Bowles, Rita Mary	Cetrone, Phyllis Jane	Dambrosia, Ardythe C
Barrett, Jane A	Boylan, Bernard K "Bernie"	Chapek, Celestine "Sally"	Danigole, Dorothy A
Bartek, Cheryl L	Boyle, Anne C	Chapek, Kenneth L	d'Autremont, Estella B
Bartek, J Donald	Bracken, Carmen Alba	Cihal, Gerald J	Davignon, Bertrand J
Bartek, Joshua N	Breazier, Barbara	Cihal, Joseph R	Davis, Betty J
Bartek, Ronald A	Brester, Leander G	Cihal, Mary Kay Hanus	Defatta, Dr Vincent J
Bartels, Alice M	Brester, Richard R	Cisler, William J	DeFatta, Sharon
Bartholet, Carol Ann	Bridge, Charles T	Ciurej, Cecelia J	Denne, David
Bartman, Elizabeth R	Brodzeller SJ, Rev Robert	Clark, Arlene Marie	Denny, Chris
Bartman, Kelly Lynn	Brokaw, Edward D	Clark, John W "Jack"	Dent, Ruth M
Barton, Mary Kay		Clark-Staben, Patricia	DeWisipelare, Gerald F
Bauer, Geraldine R		Cockroft, Dona Lee	Diederich, Edward M
Beecham, Erin M			Dietl, Elizabeth M "Betty"



Dittmer, Arlene D	Fischer, George R	Grier, Joseph H	Higgins, Leonard T
Divis, Kenneth D	Fisher, Edna Pearl	Gross, John J "Jack"	Hill Jr, Edward Mohatt
Divis, Leonard L	Fisher, Walter F	Grow, Annette S	Hinchman, John E
Dix, Robert Eugene "Bob"	Fitch, Chase Alexander	Grubaugh, Eugene E	Hines, Charles E
Doerneman, Arlene E	Flaxbeard, Irene	Grzywa, Virginia A	Hinton, Teresa M
Doernemann, Donna	Flogstad, Marilyn Kay	Gubbels, La Ritta	Hintz, Lloyd C "Bud"
Doll Jr, Vinton A	Flug, Michael	Gudenkauf, Mary Lea	Hansen, Delores Ann
Donnelly, James	Folda, Jacob S	Guenther, Patricia Marie	Hoffer, Michael E
& Marilyn	Foley, Rita	Guinane, Jerry P	Hoffman, Emil D
Dotzler, Raymond P	Foltz, Eloise I	Gutgsell, Francis Lee	Holthaus, Frances M
Dowd Sr, Thomas F	Folwy, Jean M	Guziec III, Joseph G	Holthaus, Roger R
Downey, Fenton T	Frakes, Roger C	Haas, Anna Marie	Holub, Ermin F
Doyle, Thomas M "Tom"	Franco, Thomas	Hackney, Lillian A	Homan, Anthony J "Tony"
Drahozal CSC, Brother	J Frankie	Hagedorn, Leonard F	Hook, Cynthia Jane
Ronald F	Fraser, Loren O	Hagerty, Terrance	Hop, Bruce A
Drelicharz, Frank J	Frazier, Russell E	L "Terry"	Hopper, Howard A
Drickey, Mary Ellen	Freeman, Barbara A	Hain, Beverly Meysenburg	Hotz, Grace K
Driml, Victoria F	Freeman, Roxann M	Hain, Kenneth John	Houdek, Raymond V
Drumm, Charles W	Frisinger II, H Howard	Hallett, Bernard "Barney"	Houfek, Donna R
Duda, Joseph E	Frohner, William E	Hanel, Joseph L	Hoult Sr, William R "Bill"
Dundis, Alphonse D "Al"	Fruhworth, Elizabeth	Hanich, Anna Marie	Houston, Helen L
Dunn, William J	"Betty"	Hansen, Bruce D	Hower, Lily Marie
Duren, Ann	Fucinaro, Domenick A	Hansen, Delbert W	Hoyt, Amy
Dutchess, Kathy	Fucinaro, Joan L	Hanson, Howard Peter	Hrupek, John V
Dzieminski, Stanley J	Furasek, Rose L	Hanson, James L	Humlicek, Bernard A
Eagle Bull, Harry	Furlong, Helen M	Harmon, Patricia	Humlicek, George L
Eckart, Patsy Jane	Gabel, James L	Harney, Patrick D	Humlicek, Marcella M
Eckwall, Carol J	Gaeta, Frank G	Harrell, Eileen H	Humlicek, Victor L
Edney, John A	Gaeta, Patricia A Faur	Harvey, Robert G	Humpheys, David J
Egermayer, Robert L	Gallegos, Joseph	Hasiak, Ray J	Hunt, James D
Eggers, James W	Gallegos, Mary Ercelia	Hasiak, Rita W	Hunt, Kathleen
Egr, George J	Gamerl, Sharon Kay	Havener, Mary Beth	(Katherine) Gamerl
Egr, Nancy J	Garber, Gabriela	Havlik, Lois B	Huser, James M
Ehrhart, Mary T	Gates, Robert R	Hawkins, Ramona J	Hutfless, James J "Jim"
Eledge, Margaret	Gentile, Jim	Hayek ND, Sr Michelle	Hyda, Lorraine A
J "Peg"	Gentleman,	Hayek, Timothy J	Hyde, Richard L "Dick"
Ellis, William "Bill"	Catherine Ann	Hayes, Ardith A	Ingalls, Isabelle
Emmanuel, Patricia A	Gerhard, Charles	Heimes, Randy S	Ingwersen, Mark Q
Enfield, Ellen M	Gertig, Erich	Helgoth, Martha	Jaksich, Charles J
Espejo, Isaac S	Gervase, George I	Hemesath, Mildred E	Jakub Jr, Rudolph A
Evans, Kenneth J "Ken"	Gongalez Sr, Daniel Julio	Hempel, Sky	Jakub, Dwayne D
Fancher Sr, Robert R	Gonzalez, Salvador	Hendrick, Mary E	Janda Sr, Jim J
Farris, Roy "Vic"	Goodell, Patricia	Henscheid, Theresa	Jandik, Leonard F
Fehrman, Vivian V	Gordon, Thomas M	Hensley, Luke M	Janousek, Gerry E
Fellows Jr, Randy C	Grabauskas, Richard	Hepburn, Ryan T	Jensen, Lorene B
Felten, Sharene K	"Rich"	Herek, Mary G	Jerabek, David C
Fenner, Matthew Robert	Graeve-Erhart, Mary C	Herman, MSgt USAF (Ret)	Jodlowski, Louis T
Feye, Linda M Womochil	Grant, Tim	Michael J	Johannes, Clara Eileen
Fiala, Lucille M	Gregoire, Joseph C "Joe"	Herrera-Ciro, Maria May	Johnson, Alexa Kristine
Finn Jr, Dennis J	Gregoire, Robert G	Hicks Sr, Jay J	Johnson, Dorothy A

Johnson, Vivian M  
 Jordan, Steve  
 Jorgensen, Kim E  
 Judah, Grace Elaine  
 Jurilla, Mike  
 Kaczmarek Sr, Edward L  
 Kadavy, Kenneth F  
 Kaduthodiyil, Aley  
 Kaiser, Susan S  
 Kalhorn, Betty L  
 Kalina, Margaret C  
 Kallenbach, Lorene E  
 Karr, Keith C  
 Kassing, Elizabeth Ann  
 Kastl, Arlene M  
 Kathol, Bette Naughton  
 Kaup, Joseph C  
 Kavan, Joie E  
 Kavan, Vennie  
 Kavick, Larry  
 Kazimour, Jean C  
 Kearn, Dennis W  
 Keating, Olivia Guerra  
 Keiderling, Frank J  
 Kelchen, Mary A  
 Kelley, Kenneth L  
 Kelly, Kathleen T "Kay"  
 Kennan, Eli August  
 Kenney MD, N Patrick  
 Keogh, Rae  
 Keyes, James O  
 Kirsch, Gary A  
 Kluthe, Melvin P  
 Kobza, Rachelle  
 Koch, Mary Agatha  
 Kochanowicz,  
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 Kogl, Clement  
     & Rose Marie  
 Koller, James E  
 Koranda, Edmund B  
 Koska, Frank  
 Kotera, Dorothy M  
 Kotera, James  
 Koubsky, Lori  
 Koubsky, Stanley

Koziol, Margaret  
 Kozol, Suzanne I "Sue"  
 Krebbs, Patrick A  
 Krebs, Mary E  
 Kreikemeier, Rose M  
 Kreizinger, Alice S  
 Krejci, Alma J  
 Krell, Patrick C  
 Krezek, Delbert D  
 Kriegel, Lois M  
 Kriz, Ernest C  
 Kroenke, Mary Lou  
 Krolkowski, Carl S  
 Kroll, Mary Patricia  
 Kropp, Patricia A  
 Kubat, Mary Barbara  
 Kubes, Phyllis C  
 Kucera, Justin  
 Kucera, Marvin R  
 Kucirek, Lou  
 Kuker, Elizabeth C  
 Kush, Lester J  
 Labedz, Louise E  
 LaFrente, Paul  
 Lake, Glenn F  
 Lamoureux, Lynn M  
 Lang, Evelyn C  
 Langer, John E "Jack"  
 Lanik, Cheryl L  
 Lanik, Lloyd D  
 Lankas, Edward B & Anne  
 Larsen, Cecilia M  
 Larson, Leonard L  
 Latimer, Lyle L  
 Laughlin, Margaret L  
 Lautseser, Shavonna  
 Ledvina, Sharlene A  
 Leon, Arturo  
 Liesbsack, Phyllis A  
     Nothhorn  
 Linares, Pablo Tadeo  
 Lines, David J  
 Loder, Mary A  
 Lohmeier, James F  
 Lorenz, Shirley M  
 Lovette, Larry J

Lowery, Margaret L  
 Lubker, Vivian M  
 Ludeman, Mary Louise  
 Ludwig, Barbara B  
 Luedke, Albert E  
 Mac Sr, Stanley A  
     Maggie  
 Mahoney, Irene M  
 Mailliard, Dennis R  
 Malek, Laurie Spitsen  
 Malina, Wilma E  
 Mally, Joseph F  
 Maly, Terry Jo  
 Maly-Geiger, Sarah  
 Mandel, Harvey J  
 Maresh, Alice W  
 Markey, James P  
 Marsicek, Patricia A  
 Mascarello Sr, Ernest J  
 Mascarello, Elaine H  
 Masek, Randall L  
 Massara, Carmen A  
 Mathouser, Helen C  
 Mattern, Marilyn  
 Matulka, Lawrence P  
 Matulka, Mildred M  
 Matulka, Robert E "Bob"  
 Mausbach, Leo Francis  
 Mazzuca, Frank  
 McAllister, JoAnn  
 McAndrew, Gertrude Ann  
 McCormick, Colleen  
     Bader  
 McDermott, Joannel M  
 McDermott, Paul G  
 McDonald, Margaret M  
 McFarland, Terrance R  
 McGee, James Lewis  
 McLain, Roy E  
 Meinders, Maureen D  
 Meisinger, Wayne G  
 Meister, Doreen J  
 Mejstrik, Walter I  
 Melgoza, Elena  
 Menousek, Frank & Rose  
 Merwald, Mary Ellen

Meyer, Rev Emmett F  
 Micek, Douglas J  
 Mick, Gerard E  
 Miksch OSM, Sr Viola  
 Mimick, John R  
 Minturn, Jerry  
 Mischler, Anne  
 Mohr, Doris M  
 Molacek, Genevieve  
     T Brecka  
 Mollner, Betty G  
 Monen, Maureen  
     O'Donnell  
 Monico Jr, Alfred M  
 Morgan, Dorothy  
 Moritz, Janice C  
 Morris Sr, Henry J  
 Morrison, James A  
 Morrow, Dorothy B  
 Morrell, John E  
 Mueller, Cheryl M  
 Mulhall, Maureen E  
 Munter, Cecilia "Kay"  
 Murcek, Joanne M  
 Murnan, Leo R  
 Murphy, Kathy Koenig  
 Murphy, Peggy  
 Mussel, James P  
 Naiman, John  
 Naughton, Gerald  
     P "Jerry"  
 Nealon, Thomas J  
 Neff, Terrance M  
 Negrete, Lupe  
 Nekola, Joseph G &  
     Jean K  
 Nelson, Merlyn  
 Nemecek, Dorothy O  
 Neneman, George W  
 Neumann, Alice C  
 Nicolas, Joseph  
 Nolan, Kevin M  
 Noonan, Thomas J  
 Norris, Richard F  
 Novacek, LaVerne A  
 Novak, Judy G



Novotny, Kristine A	Peterson, Robert	Rende, Nedine	Sage, Winifred C
O'Connor, Jean M	Pieper, Raymond T	Renze, Kathleen L	Saklar, Chong H
Oertell, Barbara J	Pisarik, Paul A	Revers, Alfred J	Sakowski, Kathleen "Kay"
O'Hearn, Michaela	Piskac, David H	Revers, John J	Sampier, Judith M
Ann "Mickey"	Pistillo, Michael A	Rezac, Gene A	Samulcek, Karen
Ohnoutka, Dwain	Placek, Helen E	Rezac, Opal C	Sanchez Sr, Ignacio P
O'Keefe, Bob	Pleskac, John Joseph	Reznicek, Dennis E	Sanchez, Cecelia
Olds, Traci L	Plotz, John H	Reznicek, Leo A	Sandersfeld, Sara
O'Leary, Carol L	Pogge, Philip H	Reznicek, Steven J	Sanford, Irma A
O'Leary, Margaret J	Pogge, Rosemary	Rhye, Frances C	Sasek, Katherine Anne
Olsen, Jean	Pokorny Jr, Anton "Tony"	Richardson, Marian	Savell, Sharon L
Olsen, Jeannette L	Pokorny, Jason L	Rickabaugh, Gerald	Savicky Sr, Gerald D
Olsen, Lori	Pokorny, William O	C "Jerry"	Sayles, Irma A
O'Meara, Clement	Polak, Joyce M	Ridgel, Harold H "Reggie"	Schafer, Dennis A
"Pete"	Polashek, David	Rieck, LeRoy B	Schaffart, Fairy V
Orndorff, Kelly A	Policky, Donald E	Rieck, Marie L	Schense, Donna K
Osmera, Barbara Jean	Popek, Helen M	Rieschl, Frances A	Schimonitz, Darlene M
Oswald, Andrew W	Portrey, Charlotte P	Riha, Robert J	Schlautman, Rev Wayne
Oswald, Claire M	Poskochil, Agnes M	Riley, Mary Elizabeth	Schlondorf, Joan
Otte, Jennifer S	Potter, Helen	Rinaldi, Nicholas J	Schmader, Pete
Otte, Michael A "Mike"	Prai, Charles A	Rishel, Darrel D	Schmit, Irene
Oujiri, Blanche L	Prochaska, William J	Riso, Mary C	Schmit, Mary Ann
Owen, Mary Ellen	Pruss, Doris A	Ritzdorf, Robert D "Bob"	Schmit, Selma S "Sally"
Pacana, Gracia	Putnam, Mary G	Riva, Gaston Italo "Gus"	Schmittz, Robert C
Pageler, Derold C	Putzel, Louis	Rogers, Geraldine M	Schmitz, Annette E
Palensky, Charles E	Pycha, Norma Jean	Roh, Dolores E	Schnee, Zanetta Sue
Palensky, Susan C	Radil, Joan M	Roman, Marion B	Schneider, Lewis L
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**Julie Kaminski is a woman  
who has fulfilled her  
calling to serving seniors  
with faith and a genuine  
love for others.**



**H**aving served as the Executive Director of Notre Dame Housing for six years, Julie Kaminski is someone with whom the Sisters are proud to have worked. Since moving on to serve the community through Immanuel, Nebraska's largest senior living organization, she continues to support the NDS ministries and mission of serving people and meeting unmet needs.

"In talking with Julie, her passion and kindness are what stand out," said Sister Margaret Hickey, Provincial President of the Notre Dame Sisters. "Her love for her family, her career, and the elderly are obvious. She believes that when we collaborate together, we receive a better understanding of others. Collaboration capitalizes on each person's gifts and together great things are accomplished for those in need."

Julie grew up in Omaha, in St. Thomas More Parish. From an early age her parents instilled in her the importance of treating others with respect and dignity. Their strong faith and focus on helping others provided Julie with a foundation that she and her husband Kevin continue to pass down to their children, Anna, Seth and Liam. As a family they give many hours of service to others, especially the Notre Dame Sisters' community.

Julie earned her Masters of Gerontological Studies degree in 2000 from Miami University of Ohio. From 2005 to 2011, Julie served as Executive Director of Notre Dame Housing.

Currently Julie is the Senior Vice President of Operations and Chief Operating Officer of Immanuel, Nebraska's leader in senior living. "Julie truly has a passion for seniors," said Eric Gurley, Immanuel CEO. "We are honored to welcome her expertise, knowledge and passion to our leadership team."



**Kaminski children and friends in front of the Seven Oaks Senior Center sign.**

Julie has always had a calling toward serving the aging community.

"My passion for the advocacy of the elderly is something that I instill in my children," Kaminski said. "When I was the Executive Director at Notre Dame Housing, I was provided with constant inspiration. I found the Sisters' mission and charism to be a daily motivation. I was in awe of how innovative the Notre Dame Sisters were towards the needs of the elderly."

The people Kaminski worked with inspired her and created lifelong friends, including Sr. Marie Alice Ostry who Kaminski refers to as a friend and mentor to this day.

"We are honored to have people like Julie Kaminski continue to work with us and remain passionate about our work years after physically working here," said Sandra Koch, Vice President of Advancement for the Notre Dame Sisters.

Omaha and especially Omaha's seniors are blessed to have an advocate like Julie Kaminski call this community her home.

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This group provides an opportunity for persons who are not canonical members of the Notre Dame Order to enter into a formal relationship with the Congregation contributing to an air of momentum. Associate members and the Notre Dame Sisters gather monthly to share in community, prayer, ministry, and support of one another.



# SPRING 2020 UPCOMING EVENTS CELEBRATION OF SPIRIT

**MARCH 29, 4:00 P.M.** Join us at our annual fundraising dinner as we honor Stephen Patrick O'Meara who has been a state and federal prosecutor for more than 45 years with a concentration on human trafficking. Celebrate recent accomplishments in our ministries and our future goals. Order tickets or bid on the auction at [bidpal.net/celebrationofspirit2020](http://bidpal.net/celebrationofspirit2020).

## PORK DINNER

**APRIL 26, 11:30-4:30** Our Traditional Czech Pork Dinner is not only delicious, but the entire event is family-friendly fun. Hear live Czech music, eat great food, win prizes, and more.

Kolaches and Pork Dinners available for take-out.

Pre-order dinner and take-out orders website link will be posted on our website two weeks before the dinner.

St Philip Neri Activity Center

31st and Mormon St, Omaha

(4 blocks East and 1 block South of Notre Dame Housing)

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**MAY 20, 24-HOURS** Join us online for this day of giving.

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**JUNE 20** The Notre Dame Academy Alumnae Reunion is a great time to share stories, honor classes of exceptional students with the Spirit Award, and catch up with grads and former teachers.

St. Leo's Catholic Church

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