



MISSION

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Sisters of Charity
of Cincinnati

Mission Statement

Urged by the love of Christ,
and in the spirit of our founder,
Elizabeth Ann Seton,
we Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati
strive to live Gospel values.
We choose to act justly,
to build loving relationships,
to share our resources
with those in need,
and to care for all creation.

Sisters of Charity Sponsored Ministries

Bayley – a continuing care
retirement community that offers a
full spectrum of health and wellness
lifestyle options.

Mount St. Joseph University –
a coeducational, Catholic liberal
arts university.

DePaul Cristo Rey High School –
a Catholic, college preparatory
high school for young adults with
economic need.

Seton High School –
a comprehensive, Catholic high
school for girls.

St. Joseph Home of Cincinnati –
a residential and respite center for
children and adults with severe
developmental disabilities.

Leading to Great Things

By Amy Merritt, director of development/community relations, St. Joseph Home

St. Joseph Home sees community
as a foundation to what they do,
so it's not unusual to see families,
spouses and members of the community
visiting residents regularly. Because
of this, the community at St. Joseph
Home is comprised of something much
larger than just the residents and their
caregivers – it includes a large support
group that surrounds each resident,
adding a different perspective.

But working with individuals with
disabilities is not always simple and
stress-free. In the last decade, the health
care industry has evolved significantly in the field of mental and developmental disability,
and this isn't something that's slowing down or changing.

"Our field is challenging ... we specialize in working with people who have complex
medical needs," says Dan Connors, SJH president and CEO. "The field in which
we work is changing, and we have many challenges to applying those changes to the
individuals we serve, who have complex needs based on their disability. We have to
evolve, but we cannot do so in a way that deviates from our heritage as a sponsored
ministry of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati."

Dan has a great respect for the Sisters and what their influence has done for St. Joseph
Home, which continues, at its core, to be what the Sisters originally intended – an
organization that provides care, community and advocacy for people who don't often
have the opportunity to express their voice.

"We're not just providing medical care, we are supporting an individual to have the
opportunity to live the life they choose the best we can."

It's Dan's passion for the residents and the fundamental mission that ensures they
lead fulfilling lives. Whether it is taking a resident, who happens to be Chinese, to
a Mandarin restaurant, indulging another resident in his love for music or helping a
resident volunteer in a place of his/her passion, Dan and the staff place focus on the
residents getting the most out of every day.

Dan adds that with a ministry connection through the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati
and a caring and comforting atmosphere, St. Joseph Home is peaceful and community-
oriented. His vision for the future of St. Joseph Home is a bright one, and his leadership,
passion and community-oriented ideals are sure to lead the organization to great things.



St. Joseph Home President and CEO Dan Connors and
SJH staff are committed to their residents and ensuring
they lead fulfilling lives.

Good News From ...

DePaul Cristo Rey High School where senior Alex Nizigiyimana was recognized as a Student of the Year by the English Language Learning Foundation, Inc. (ELLF); the award includes a \$1,000 scholarship toward college tuition.

Alex is a native of Tanzania and spent part of his childhood in a refugee camp due to wars in nearby countries. He and his family immigrated to Cincinnati when he was 10; he spoke no English at that time. He enrolled in DPCR at the start of his sophomore year and has become one of the top students in his class. Alex has been accepted to four colleges, but has not yet decided where he will attend.



Alex Nizigiyimana with S. Margarita Brewer at the ELLF Recognition Breakfast.



Dr. H. James Williams, president of Mount St. Joseph University

Mount Saint Joseph University as the university looks forward to the presidency of Dr. H. James Williams, who began his tenure at the Mount in March and opened his first talk to the campus community with the quote, "To whom much is given, much is expected ..." Look for information on Dr. Williams and his professional preparation for this challenge on the Mount's website. Our prayers go with Dr. Williams.

In "Loving Support of Others," the Mount sponsored a Lenten Food and Clothing Drive March 14-18. Campus Ministry held prayer experiences on "The Mercy of God" (the pope's theme for this year for all Catholics) along with weekly speakers on different topics centered on this theme.

The Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow Program, a popular event for most colleges and universities, featured Harriet Rubin as the guest lecturer in March. Rubin, co-founder of *Fast Company* magazine and an author, gave lectures on women who have led the way for women's rights in the U.S.

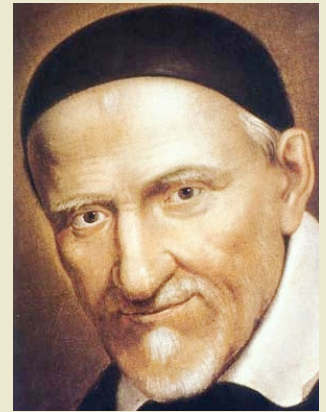
Seton High School after recently wrapping up the 'Spread the Sisterhood' Drive, where the school collected clothes, shoes, jackets, toys and canned food to donate to families in need within the Price Hill Community.

The Spread the Sisterhood Drive was inspired by the Anthony Munoz Leadership Conference. Last year, students came up with the idea to 'Spark the Sisterhood,' and planned a day to nurture the sisterhood and camaraderie within the school. This year, the goal of the students was to carry that feeling over to others and extend the sense of sisterhood to the Price Hill community.

In the spring, Seton hosted a cookout for the Price Hill community in coordination with an Easter Egg Hunt. "I'm really looking forward to this event because it's a great way to reach out to the families and show our support," said senior Mackenzie Dugan, who is also the Segale House Captain. "I'm proud of everyone's effort and enthusiasm in this school. Seton embraces service as part of our mission, and it's awesome to see so much energy behind it."



Words of Wisdom



"Simplicity is the virtue I love most and, to which, I pay the most attention in my actions."

- St. Vincent de Paul



"God is with us and if suffering abounds in us, God's consolation also abounds. I was not only willing to take my cross, but kissed it too."

- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton



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