

MISSION

as a sacred trust



Mission Statement

Urged by the charity of Christ, we Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, strive to give compelling witness to Christ's active presence by doing justice, expressed as loving trust shaping all our relationships, and as sharing our individual and Congregational resources for the liberation of the oppressed.

Vision Statement

As a community of charity, living the gospel as expressed in the charism of Elizabeth Seton and Margaret George, we will strive to be persons who:

- choose to live simply in a complex world committed to the healing of our global home;
- embrace cultural expansion in membership and ministry;
- learn from and are in solidarity with the poor;
- risk being prophetic in church and society;
- journey together toward wholeness.

We make this commitment imbued with a deep faith in the active presence of God and strengthened by prayer, friendship and community.

LIVING THE MISSION-

A Commitment to Service

By Erin Grady, public relations/marketing coordinator, Seton High School

n education from Seton High School means learning more than the basics of literature, mathematics and science; instead, Seton students learn to develop a heart for serving others. Seton is blessed to be associated with the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati. The teachers and staff take very seriously their calling to educate a new generation of strong young women and embrace the Sisters of Charity mission as a guide to effectively carry out this charge.

Giving Compelling Witness and Doing Justice

Seton students are offered a variety of opportunities to witness in the Price Hill community and beyond through a commitment to service. This can include anything from serving food at The City Gospel Mission and the Ronald McDonald House to volunteering at the St. Vincent de Paul Donation Center. Each student is encouraged to spend her service hours in a way that would be most meaningful to her.

Loving Trust Shaping Our Relationships

When any new student walks through the halls of Seton, she is struck by an overwhelming feeling of belonging. Seton students are more than classmates – they are family.

"An enduring hallmark of Seton High School is the experience students have of being a part of a sisterhood," principal Donna Brigger said. "Their genuine concern for one another as well as others is the foundation of the Seton tradition."



Seton High School juniors Emily McDonald (back) and Emily Stautberg volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House in Cincinnati in December.

It can be difficult for young women to find their place in high school, but Seton students are taught to thrive by propping each other up when times are difficult and rejoicing together when times are good.

Seton is more than a brick and mortar institution, it is a living community filled with diverse young women who are only beginning their life journeys. Each day the teachers and staff are excited to imagine how the opportunities afforded in the classroom and community will shape these students' futures.

Live the Bayley Brand

In January 2011 those associated with Bayley Place began to experience a new look. The sponsors and benefactors, buildings and staff, residents and families, friends and neighbors remain the same, but the brand has changed.



"Creating a new brand is a strategic move to position us for future growth

and stability," said Alice Rogers Uhl, vice president of development and marketing at Bayley. "The community has embraced our new brand and tag line – LIFE IN EVERY MOMENT – with enthusiasm and excitement. Our colors which are dynamic and bright create positive energy for our mission. All of these elements are instrumental in helping us further the mission of Bayley as we move into the future."

At its center the new logo (inset) comprises a tree, a symbol of strength and growth, representing the continuous evolution and development of adult life. It includes a welcoming embrace, demonstrating openness to all people, and a cross, which signifies Bayley's foundation with the Sisters of Charity. The heart shape is the hallmark of compassion and respect.

News 'N Notes

The **College of Mount St. Joseph** has formed a task force of faculty, staff and students to plan a permanent heritage display for the campus. The group is brainstorming locations, ideas and methods of presentation. At their last meeting they visited the Archives of the College. The projected date for completion is August 2011.

The staff of **DePaul Cristo Rey High School**, the newest Sisters of Charity sponsored ministry, spent Friday, Feb. 25 at the Mount St. Joseph Motherhouse. Led by S. Judith Metz, the group learned about St. Vincent de Paul, St. Elizabeth Seton and the tradition of the Charity charism and mission. These newest members of the Charity family also looked at characteristics of Vincentian leadership and shared their insights on how they can focus on these in their ministry.



(From left) Andrew Farfsing, principal; Renee Hargrove, director of business administration; Keianna Matthews, director of enrollment; S. Jeanne Bessette, OSF, president; Lisa Claytor, director of corporate work study program; and Norah Mock, director of development, comprise the administrative team of DePaul Cristo Rey High School.

Words of Wisdom



"Does our charity extend to all: is our love for all in our Jesus; do we unite it so closely with Him that life – body and soul – are all devoted to Him? ... Do we, indeed, give him the true service of the heart without which whatever else we give has no value?"

- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, founder of the Sisters of Charity

"Christianity is not about ideas but about deeds inspired by love. Charity must never look to the past, but always to the future because the number of its past works is still very small and the present and future miseries that it must alleviate are infinite."

- Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, founder of the St. Vincent de Paul Society

Ministry Spotlight

"Michael cares deeply about the well being of people with developmental disabilities, and I know he will be a strong leader who will continue to expand St. Joseph Home's reputation as a place far beyond a 'facility,' but a home in the truest sense. He also will carry on the mission of the Sisters of Charity." - S. Marianne Van Vurst



Michael Rench, with Konnor, will become the president and CEO of St. Joseph Home of Cincinnati following the retirement of S. Marianne Van Vurst on June 30, 2011.

