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Trip to New York City

by Sister Maryanne Tracey

On April 3, 2017, I boarded a New Jersey Transit train eastbound for New York City along with Maria Capozzoli and Katie Blevins, both students at the College of Saint Elizabeth, to “Walk the way of Elizabeth.” First stop was Saint Peter’s Roman Catholic Church on Barclay Street. It was here that Elizabeth was received into the Catholic Church. She made her first Communion on March 25, 1805, and her Confirmation on May 26, 1806.

On our way to Saint Paul’s Chapel, at Broadway and Fulton where Elizabeth worshipped with her family, we made a short visit to the memorial pools at the site of the World Trade Towers. It was a very moving experience. From Saint Paul’s we walked two blocks to Trinity Church, at Broadway and Wall Street. Trinity is very historical and we spent some time enjoying the environment.

Our final stop was to the Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton at 8 State Street at the Battery. It was in



Maria Capozzoli and Katie Blevins at Saint Peter’s Church on Barclay Street.

this building that Elizabeth lived for a short while. We attended the 12:15 pm Mass at this church and enjoyed the environment knowing that Elizabeth had walked the halls.

Meetings Explore the Future of Vocation

by Jessica Bonder

The Vocation Office recently held two meetings exploring the future of Vocations. The meetings gathered together lay people, young adults, Seton Associates and Sisters. During the first meeting, attendees heard from panelists, and a facilitator led the group through a series of questions. During the second meeting, the group gathered to review the results. These two meetings are only the beginning of a long-term process of setting goals and planning for the future. In the next meeting, the goal of the Vocation Advisory Board is to create a two-to-three year Vocation plan. With the enthusiasm and ideas generated so far, it looks to be very promising for the future of the ministry.



Seton Associates Nichole Ayala (Chairperson of the Vocation Advisory Board), and Evlynn Jarzabek, and Sisters Jacquelyn Balasia, SC, Mary Anne Katlack, SC, and Maureen Corcoran, SC, at a recent Vocation meeting.

CCFP Held in KS



Sister Ellen Dauwer, Rosemary Carroll and Sister Maryanne Tracey at CCFP.

Rosemary Carroll, Sisters Ellen Dauwer, SC, and Maryanne Tracey, SC, recently attended a meeting at the Leavenworth Sisters of Charity in Leavenworth, Kansas. CCFP stands for the “Company of Charity Formation Personal”

and is the Formation component of the Federation. This group meets every year and is hosted by a different community each year. Ellen, Rosemary and Maryanne had some fun with the group at the end of the meeting as they invited them to New Jersey next year. The meeting will be held in April 2018 at Maris Stella Retreat and Conference Center.

Sisters Attend Webinar

Periodically the Religious Formation Conference offers a Webinar for Sisters. In March, Sister Regina Bernard Mc Cartney, SC, and Sister Peggy Fitzgibbons, SC, attended “The Transformation of Religious Life: Reflections from Younger Members.” Both Sisters loved the new experience and were enlightened by what they learned.



Sisters Peggy Fitzgibbons and Regina Bernard Mc Cartney attending a Webinar.

Supper and Story



Sister Roberta Feil, SC, was the storyteller on April 9, 2017, for the “Supper and Story” event that is held for the students at the College of Saint Elizabeth occasionally at the Motherhouse. Several college students and Sisters were treated to Sister Roberta’s sharing of the many ways that God has worked in her life. In addition to Roberta’s story, the students and Sisters were treated to pizza and ice cream. Everyone left inspired by the many beautiful ministries where Roberta has served.

National Catholic Sisters Week Celebrated in March

We honored our Sisters during NCSW, held nationwide March 8-14, 2017.



Play Debuts

In February, the play ELIZABETH OF NEW YORK, written by Sister Francis Maria Cassidy, SC, made its debut at The College of Saint Elizabeth. It was directed by Maria Capozzoli, CSE student and Vocation Advisory Board Member. The production was very well done and enjoyed by all who had the opportunity to see it. Congratulations Maria!



CSE student Brittany German with Sister Angelica Doris. The sign Brittany holds says “Sisters Are Loveable.”

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