

Wellspring for Living Stones

A Collection of Prayers, Reflections, and More | Volume 3 | April 22, 2020

The world is experiencing unprecedented change, but the **Madonna University mission is steadfast**. The **faculty and staff of the Mission Core Team** would like to share resources to help guide our community through uncharted waters. They are rooted in the MU mission to instill **Christian humanistic values, intellectual inquiry, a respect for diversity, and a commitment to serving others**. They have helped bring our team peace of mind and sense of purpose, and we are honored to share them with you.

A Celebration of the Felician Sisters

Madonna University was founded over 83 years ago by the Felician Sisters, and their fortitude and bravery still informs our work today. This week's *Wellspring* is a celebration of the Sisters and a prayer for their wellbeing.

Women in Leadership

Sr. Mary Danatha Suchyta, who turned 98 years old this month, was the 4th President of Madonna University. Her name is prominently displayed in the Franciscan Center on campus. Her words of wisdom ring true:



By having courage to take on challenges and working them out, others can observe you.

*from **Connie Tingson-Gatuz**, Vice President for Student Affairs & Mission Integration*

Thank you, our beloved Felician Sisters for your vision, devotion and your Mission. Called by God, your Mission of cooperating with Christ in the spiritual renewal of the world is needed more than ever during Covid-19. I dedicate this song, "[One Little Candle](#)" to all of you for you are truly the light that burns.

"God IS the ultimate healer, even when it seems a cure is delayed in appearing."

*from **Claire Ofiara**, Director of Diversity & Inclusion, and Program Director of Mosaic Leadership Academy*

Mission & Vision

Sr. Nancy Marie Jamroz makes it all possible at the Center for Catholic Studies and Interfaith Dialogue: always sharing humbly her wisdom with others, always greeting everyone with a beautiful smile on her face, always full of great ideas how to tackle challenges coming our way. Sister Nancy has been such a blessing of love and optimism to Madonna University, to its students, faculty, staff, and to me.



*from **Andrew Domzalski**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Humanities and Co-Director, Center for Catholic Studies & Interfaith Dialogue*



A Prayer of Remembrance and Hope is available [here](#). The Mission Core team invites you to join the campus community, as we share this prayer while we are apart, each Monday at 12:00 PM.



Wellspring for Living Stones will be updated, added to, and archived online.

If you have questions or concerns, or would like to submit materials to include, please contact Colleen McLellan in the Office of Service-Learning & Civic Engagement: cmclellan@madonna.edu