



SPIRITUS WEEKLY UPDATE

WEEK OF MAY 1ST, 2025

NEXT GATHERING SUNDAY MAY 4TH

SPIRITUS COMMUNITY GATHERING AND
MEETING

SUNDAY 5/4

GATHERING AT 3:00PM

CHAMINADE CENTER MADELEINE ROOM

Adult Faith Sharing Sunday Mornings

Spiritus members meet remotely twice a month for a faith sharing group all are welcome and you can begin at any time. To get on the email list for information, let us know and we will be sure to get you on the list to receive all the zoom links for each meeting.

We hope you will join us for the Easter season (May: 1st and 3rd Sundays and June: 1st and 3rd Sundays) as we read "The ServiceBerry" by Robin Wall Kimmerer.

If you need a copy of the book you can find it in the bookstores and libraries. We'll start with discussing the first section (up to page 19) of the book on Sunday, May 4th. This book recommended to Kelly Bohrer by a Franciscan Sister - a group of her fellow Franciscan Sisters has been reading it together and love it.

It is time to start selecting a book to start reading in July or August. We have many suggestions for a book to read together after we finish "The Serviceberry". Please email other suggestions and let Kelly Bohrer know what your vote would be.

The book of Joy (previously done), In the sanctuary of women by Jan Richardson

The Tears of Things by Richard Rohr, Becoming Rooted by Randy Woodley

The ten Green commandments of Laudato Si' by Joshtum Kureethadam

The Eight Doors of the Kingdom: Meditations on the Beatitudes by Fr. Jacques Philippe

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PRAYERS AND INTERCESSIONS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

For all those in our community, those that we love, those who are alone, those who are grieving, those in war torn areas, those without anyone to pray for them and anyone else in need of loving support, prayer, or comfort.

Please pray for Teesie Lupp.

Her surgery is next week.

She has been having complications with her hemoglobin levels being low and causing dizziness and weakness. Their goal is to keep this all level so that the surgery can happen on the 8th. She loves getting all the messages and support. She is very tired now and doesn't always respond to everyone, but she loves reading those messages.

Please continue to hold her and Adam in your prayers during this time.

Please Pray for Pat Herman and Family.

Pat is now at home with support for her ongoing health needs. Please pray for her comfort, her caregivers, and her family.

Please keep Tom Zawodny in your prayers.

They are preparing for his biopsy on May 2nd. Please keep those prayers going as they are going to need them as they fight this battle. With God's help, he would much rather fight this rather than give up hope and surrender.

Draw Us Forth

Draw us forth, God of all creation.

Draw us forward and away from limited certainty
into the immense world of your love.

Give us the capacity to even for a moment taste the richness of the feast you give us.

Give us the peace to live with uncertainty, with questions, with doubts.

Help us to experience the resurrection anew
with open wonder and an increasing ability to see you in the people of Easter.

- Author Unknown



SPIRITUS SHIRTS

At the next Spiritus Community Meeting on May 4th, we will be voting on the Spiritus shirt design.

We will decide between the navy blue shirt with a white side panel OR the navy blue shirt without the white side panel. Navy blue is the color chosen by our Branding Task Force.

All shirts will have the official Spiritus logo in white on the left side of the shirt. Shirts will come in your choice of mens or womens design and in multiple sizes (we will have samples of the various shirt sizes).

Shirts will cost \$35 each. Payment is expected at the time of ordering. Cash or checks made out to Steve Guilfoos are acceptable.

Orders will be taken at the May 4 and 18 Spiritus Gatherings. Shirts will be available in mid June.



Micropique Sport-Wick Polo

- COLOR IS Navy Blue
- one with white side
- one with no side panel
- Both come in Men's and Women's design
- Cost will depend upon number of shirts ordered (somewhere between \$30 - \$40)



COMMUNITY INFO

Register to help setup SPIRITUS Gatherings... Knowing in advance who will be available to help set up the Madeleine room and administration tables for each gathering allows us to plan accordingly and ensures we have enough help!

Please sign up online at <https://givepul.se/gw0wzw>, or use the QR code below which will take you to the Spiritus scheduling website.

Once there, scroll down to see the published events, then click on the event that you would like register to help.

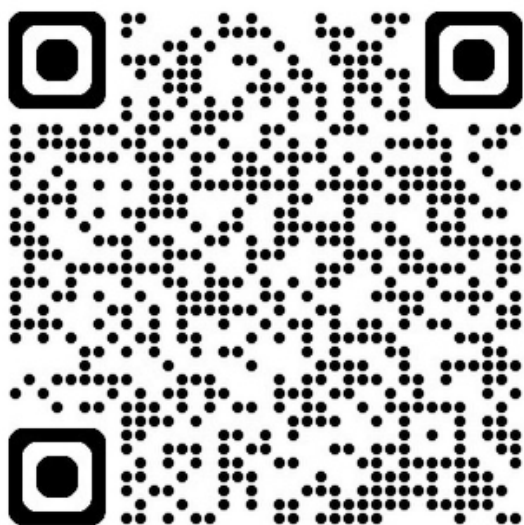
There are three event shifts available –

1) **Setup at 2:00pm:** Help set up tables in hallway, set aside tables in the Madeleine Room and set out chairs. This group will also help at the end of the gathering;

2) **Greeter at 2:40pm:** Welcome everyone as they arrive, invite new guests to create a nametag; and

3) **Last one out:** The last one out will make sure that all of the lights are turned off and the doors to the Madeleine Room are locked. Additional details about each shift can be found online. If you have any issues signing up, please email Linda Skinner at scheduling@spiritus-mlc.org.

We thank you in advance for your support.



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UPCOMING SPIRITUS EVENTS

- May 4th – Spiritus Prayer Gathering and Community Meeting, Madeline Room, 3:00 PM
- May 18th – Spiritus Prayer Gathering, Madeleine Room, 3:00 PM
- June 1st – Spiritus Prayer Gathering, Madeleine Room, 3:00 PM
- June 15th – Spiritus Prayer Gathering, Madeleine Room, 3:00 PM
 - Set-up for this day will be at 2:30. UD's Wayfinders group (Religious studies/Theology grad students/undergrads working with high school students) will be in the Madeleine room before us with MEEC.

REMOTE VIEWING

Thank you to all those who help with the streaming and make it possible.

Check the website (link at bottom of each page) for link to remote viewing for Sunday.

Viewing of all past meetings are available on the Spiritus website. Just click the banner at the bottom of the page for access.

If you are interested in being trained to stream meetings, please see Kevin Skinner or send inquiries to contact@spiritus-mlc.org
To rewatch all past meetings click on the link for our website at the bottom of the page.



Urban Solidarity Initiatives: Many Opportunities to Get Involved!

Respite Bag Sign-up Dates Are Still Available: Please consider signing up for one of the following upcoming dates to deliver Respite Bags to Food for the Journey Project (FJP): June 3, July 15, July 29, August 5 and additional dates in the fall. In addition to filling bags with shelf stable snacks, please consider adding a few of these items during the winter months, either in the same bag as the snacks, or in a separate Ziploc bag that can be given out separately. Suggested items include: lip balm, throat lozenges, travel size hand lotion, band aids, masks, toothbrush, travel size toothpaste, or hand warmers.

THIRD ACT

Tom Zawodny has passed information on to us about what sounds like a great Social Justice advocacy group that he heard about from Dan Sadowski, the reporter who covered Spiritus for the National Catholic Reporter. They describe themselves as "a community of Americans over sixty determined to change the world for the better...to safeguard our climate and democracy." They offer online discussions, training, and location-specific in-person events. To check it out and sign up, their website is: <https://thirdact.org>



MARIANIST FAMILY ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS

Check out the new edition of
Marianist Family Online!
<https://www.marianist.com/familyonline/>

STAY CONNECTED !

MARIANIST FAMILY - <https://www.marianist.com>

MARIANIST SOCIAL JUSTICE COLLABORATIVE - <https://marianistsjc.net>

MARIANIST LAY COMMUNITY OF NORTH AMERICA - <https://www.mlcna.org>

MARIANIST ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER - <https://meec.center>

NORTH AMERICAN CENTER FOR MARIANIST STUDIES - <https://www.nacms.org>

SPIRITUS CONTACT UPDATES

If there is anyone who is seriously ill or facing a significant surgery or procedure the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is available.

You can call the Spiritus office and leave a message if it is something that can be scheduled in advance, or if more time sensitive, you can reach out to Fr. Tom. His telephone number is 937-903-0943.

Also if anyone needs to receive Eucharist at home please notify Linda Folmar at Linda_folmar@sbcglobal.net.

If you need to change any contact information, please let us know by responding to this email or by writing any changes that you need to have made on the clipboard available by the nametags at each Spiritus gathering. We want to make sure that everyone is getting information in a way that is helpful and suits them.

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