

Reports of Commissions and Acts of Chapter For the Community Assembly

March 2022

These reports from our commissions and the Acts of Chapter committee have been prepared for the Community Assembly of 12 March 2022. Thank you for all who serve on these groups for the work represented by these brief updates.

Acts of Chapter

We want to explore ways to engage with younger women. Besides our relationship with the St. Joseph Workers, a natural connection is with St. Kate's. Possibly resurrecting the Prayer Partner program, responding to invitations to participate in the Reflective Woman interviews and other class projects. Also, finding ways to interact with those coming to the Food Shelf.

Creating new connections and collaborations with groups who align with our values, such as the Discerning Deacons effort and continuing our new relationship with the League of Catholic Women.

Ministry Commission

- The Celebration is being planned for in-person this year and all are invited!
- It will be hosted at the InterContinental Minneapolis – St. Paul Airport Hotel (the one by the airport!) on Friday, May 6 starting at 6pm
- The MC for the evening will be Jearlyn Steele and entertainment will be by her and her siblings
- Please start talking to your family and friends and spread the word! The Ministries Foundation is looking forward to celebrating with everyone.
- Ask anyone on the Ministries Foundation staff for invitations to send to family and friends, or reach out to Mimi Pizzi at mpizzi@csjministriesfoundation.org or 651-690-7058
- For tickets and updated information go to csjministriesfoundation.org

Relationship and Association Commission

Recent highlights from the Relationship and Association Commission:

- Representatives of different forms of membership and association gave detailed information about the inquiry and candidacy/formation process currently in place for Sisters, Consociates, Friends of St Joseph, and Agrégées.
- As a group, we explored how we can better collaborate, support inquirers and candidates in formation, and find ways to invite others into this work of hospitality.
- Commission members have had deep conversations about the kind of exciting work we might be called to do as a commission. We dedicated lots of meeting time to dream and brainstorm together about what might be possible. The ideas we generated helped us become even more clear about what we might be best positioned to do in the CSJ Community. Committee members are currently discerning where their energy and passion might be leading them for personal involvement.
- In the past few months, subcommittees have worked to strengthen relationships between the CSJ Community and partners. Examples include the evolution of the CSJ/St Kate's Food Access Hub (<https://www.csjstpaul.org/celestes-dream/food-access-hub/>) and ongoing communication with organizations founded in the CSJ Mission. Also, subcommittees helped initiate and plan the 2022 Stirring the Fire retreat.
- There are/soon will be openings on the Commission for Consociate, Sister, and Partner in Ministry members. If you feel called to serve on the commission, please contact one of the Co-Chairs, Andrea Pearson Tande (aptande@csjstpaul.org) or Peg Schwendeman (mschwendeman@icloud.com).

Justice Commission

No update provided.