



ASSOCIATES

February 2020



Don't miss this!



# Our Speaker for February



Pope Francis is inviting world leaders and young people to come together at the Vatican on May 14, 2020 for an event called

**“Reinventing the global educational alliance .”**

“Never before has there been such need to unite our efforts in a large educational alliance, to form mature individuals capable of overcoming division and antagonism, and restore the fabric of relationships for the sake of a more fraternal humanity.” *Pope Francis*

Sister Tjoe Herlina Soekoer ss.cc. is from our Sisters' community in Indonesia. Her dad was originally from Fu Chien, China and her mom was also Chinese Indonesian. Sister is the youngest of 12 children. She arrived in Hawaii on Oct. 1, 2019. Sister will tell us what attracted her to our congregation and what her life has been since she entered. We look forward to learn more about our congregation in Indonesia.



Sister Herlina, ss.cc.



## Looking to the Future



## Saint Damien Celebration

This year, because **May 10** falls on a Sunday (also Mother's Day) the celebration for St. Damien at the State Capitol will be held on Friday, May 8, at 9 a.m. Bishop Silva will offer a Mass on St. Damien's feast Day May 10 at the cathedral. In the afternoon we will have our Associates meeting at 1:00pm with our precious Sister Augustina (Tina) being our Speaker.

# You are invited ...

to the celebration of Consecrated Life which will be held at the Co-Cathedral on Saturday, Feb. 1 at 10:00a.m.

Our Associates April 12 Meeting is cancelled since it is also Easter Sunday.

# Congratulations, Brother John!!



On Friday, January 10, 2020 our Brother John Sawchenko, ss.cc. made his perpetual profession as a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

*To the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary  
Honor and Glory!*

Q: Can February  
march?



A: No, but April may.

We have so much fun  
at our meetings!!

Jan. 12, 2020



The January 12 meeting began with adoration in the chapel. This month's theme was *"Inflame Our Hearts with Love for You."* Afterwards the Associates gathered in the parlor to listen to Sr. Helene and Sr. Rose Henry, whose stay in Hawaii was extended due to a volcanic eruption in the Philippines, expound on the [SS.CC.](#) charism. Prior to beginning the talk, Sr. Helene distributed small cards of the [SS.CC.](#) charism poster so the

Associates would have a visual aid as she discussed each of the sections. Sr. Helene then began by stating that the charism is to contemplate, live, and proclaim the redeeming love of God, which is shown in the innermost circle on the card. Moving outward and clockwise she said that the next circle shows how the Sisters and Brothers live the charism. The last circle details how they proclaim the love of God to others. Sr. Helene shared that one of the ways is by working with the poor and that doing so is difficult and that the best thing that they can offer the poor is respect. Sr. Rose Henry then told the Associates about the work the Brothers and Sisters do in India and Philippines. They opened a Damien Center and now provide seven social programs for helping the poor in the community. The presentation was very informative and entertaining, and the Associates left with a deeper understanding of the charism. Sr. Helene then announced that the St. Damien celebration at the state capitol will be held on Friday, May 8, at 9 a.m. and that Bishop Silva will offer a Mass on St. Damien's feast day, May 10. She also invited the Associates to the celebration of consecrated life which will be held at the Co-Cathedral on Saturday, Feb. 1, at 10 a.m.

Linda Jose announced that she is taking orders for white polo shirts with the [SS.CC.](#) logo and that the April meeting will be canceled since the second Sunday is Easter. The Associates then enjoyed refreshments and conversation in the dining room.

