



East-West Province

SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR

together making a difference



Dear Friend,

December brings many festivities and opportunities for reflection, and this month's newsletter highlights some of them. I hope that your plans for the holidays include time spent with people you love!

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Monica May
Development Director



Honoring Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

Today is the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, patron saint of the Americas, who appeared to St. Juan Diego in December of 1531. These are the words she spoke to him in his native language-words that resonate for us now:

“Hear me and understand well, my little son, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything.”



Giving Tuesday Success!

Thanks to the generous donors who responded to the Sisters' **Giving Tuesday** campaign for 2018, **65** Haitian children will have all they need to attend school for a year, and more than **30,000** pieces of bread will be delivered to schools for children in need.

To watch a video about the bakery established by the Sisters or support their work, [**click here.**](#)



Advent Reflections by Sisters

Throughout Advent, our website will feature reflections on the Gospel readings for each week written by Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

The reflections for **Week 1** and **Week 2** are posted on our **website** and **Facebook** page, and those for Weeks 3 and 4 will be also.



An Easy Way to Support the Sisters This Year

If you have appreciated stock that you have held for more than one year, consider making a gift of the stock to the Sisters of Notre Dame. You can reduce or even eliminate the federal capital gains tax you would have paid had you sold this stock and you will receive a charitable income tax deduction based on the fair market value of the shares at the time of the transfer.

It's easy to make a transfer of stock. Just complete the **transfer instructions for gifts of stock** or contact Leigh Howell, Associate Director of Development, at (650) 551-6402 or leigh.howell@sndden.org.

Thank You to the NDNU Nesian Love Club!



The Sisters who live at the Province Center in Belmont enjoyed a visit from NDNU's Nesian Love Club, made up of students of Polynesian, Micronesian, Melanesian backgrounds. The visitors brought the Sisters small gifts, decorated Christmas trees and shared treats with them!

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