



## Hospital Sisters of St. Francis

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House Circular #15

Subject: 150 Days of Celebration-Expanded Details

***"Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice." Psalm 48: 10-11***

Dear Sisters and Associates,

About a month ago, I shared with you our plans to celebrate for 150 days as part of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our presence in the United States (House Circular #11-June 9<sup>th</sup>). I mentioned that there would be several communal experiences in addition to suggestions for personal reflection and experiences.

I have secured the speakers for the communal experiences and want to share them with you. All four of these presentations will be in the Family Room at 2:30 pm.

July 30, 2025	Kathy Donovan, HSHS COO	Health Care
August 18, 2025	Sister Sharon Zayac, OP	Climate
September 3, 2025	Sister Rebecca Ann Gemma, OP	Racism
October 13, 2025	Sister Renita Brummer, OSF	Peace

I offer these suggestions for your personal experience:

**Fast From:** Negativity, a judgmental attitude, gossip, favorite food or beverage, excessive use of social media, favorite television program

**Feast On:** A time of quiet reflection each day, personal conversion, reflecting on the beauty of creation, gratitude for God's many gifts to you, praying for peace in our world

Each of you can determine your personal approach to fasting and feasting. Our hope that you can engage in a meaningful way to contribute to the common good.

May these experiences bring us a deeper understanding of the many blessings we have received during our 150 years in the United States and anticipation of those that will be showered upon us in the future.

In Francis and Clare,

  
Sister Maureen O'Connor, OSF  
Superior