



St. Jude CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Where Faith, Love and Leaders Grow.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF MARY, MOTHER OF THE EUCHARIST



Fast Facts

Founded in 1997 with 4 Sisters

Order has grown to over 140 Sisters in just 20 years

Average age of the Sisters is 30

Average age of the women who enter is 21

Sisters represent most of the States across the U.S., Provinces in Canada, and Australia

Teaching missions at 20 schools located in AZ, CA, FL, IL, OH, MI, MN, MO, and TX

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New Mission in the Diocese of Peoria

The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, is a teaching Order of Religious Sisters who are considered, by many, to be the best teaching community in the United States. One of the fastest growing Orders, the Dominican Sisters are vibrant, joyful, and in love with the Church.

The Dominican Sisters began their teaching mission in the Diocese of Peoria in 2013. With four Sisters teaching at St. Jude Catholic School and two at Peoria Notre Dame High School, a convent was constructed on the St. Jude Parish campus.

The Sisters' mission in Peoria is to foster, flowing from the Dominican charism, the formation of our students spiritually, intellectually, and physically. Together with the lay staff at St. Jude Catholic School, they support the growth and excellence of our students as a whole persons, so that they too can go out and engage the culture with a knowledge of the Truth. The Dominican Sisters and St. Jude and Notre Dame staff seek to foster the holiness of our students, because holiness and happiness are synonymous in the light of Faith.

ABOUT THE SISTERS

Mission Statement

The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist is a Roman Catholic community of women religious based in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Our community was founded in the Dominican tradition to spread the witness of religious life in accord with Pope John Paul II's vision for a new evangelization.

Through profession of the vows of chastity, poverty, and obedience, along with a contemplative emphasis on Eucharistic adoration and Marian devotion, our community exists for the salvation of souls and the building of the Church throughout the world. As Dominicans, our primary apostolate is the education and formation of young people. We remain open to engaging the modern culture with new forms of evangelization in order to preach the Gospel and teach the Truth.

The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist are members of the Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious (CMSWR).

Educating in Virtue, Forming in Faith

At the heart of Catholic education is the Person of Jesus Christ. He is the Master Teacher. As Dominicans, the Sisters' primary apostolate is teaching. As they engage in the new evangelization, the Sisters are open to new forms of handing down the faith, and in particular, the work of catechesis.

Women religious have been an integral part of the history of Catholic education in the United States. The Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, seek to continue the tradition of educating generations of young people in their Faith and most of all, to bring youth into deeper relationship with Christ.

Drawing upon their own intimate relationship with Christ as women religious, the Sisters bring a conviction and a passion to their apostolate as they offer to others their knowledge of Christ and His Church. Formed first in the sanctuary and in the cloister as contemplatives, the Sisters are able to bring the Truth to the classroom with a faith formation that includes liturgical, doctrinal, spiritual and moral dimensions.

Pope Benedict said "The dignity of education lies in fostering the true perfection and happiness of those to be educated." It is the Sisters' hope to join in the great endeavor of fostering the true perfection in virtue of their students and all those they encounter, with an educational focus on the virtues as inspired by Saint Thomas Aquinas.

At this juncture in the Catholic Church's history in our country, which is in such great need for the new evangelization spoken of by Blessed John Paul II, the Dominican Sisters serve the Church by deepening the renewal of Catholic education and bringing consecrated women religious back into the schools.

