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## RIVIER UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2023

"Begin now ... Believe me, don't wait until tomorrow to begin becoming a saint."

- Saint Thérèse of Lisieux

#### HOW TO GET INVOLVED: CAMPUS MINISTRY CLUB



Check Campus Groups regularly for events and service opportunities offered by the Campus Ministry Club! To join the Campus Ministry Club, sign into Campus Groups and search for Campus Ministry Club. Click on the club, then click "Join Group". The first meeting of the semester is Wednesday, January 31st at 5:30pm in the SGA Conference Room. We hope to see you there!

President: Kelly Janerico, '25

VP: Mary Festa, '25

Treasurer: Stefanie Caraccioli, '26 Secretary: Helena Spanos, '26 Publicity: Thomas Reagan, '26

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday Mass: 1/28

Meet in the Dion Lobby at 10:45 to carpool to Immaculate Conception Church. Mass is at 11am and we will return to campus shortly after 12.

#### Heritage Week and Catholic Schools Week January 29—February 3

Heritage Day (when we celebrate the founding and history of Rivier) is officially February 3rd, but we'll celebrate all week leading up it! This year, Heritage week coincides with Catholic Schools Week, when we celebrate the unique characteristics and value of Catholic education.

See the last page for information about Heritage Week events!

Riv Serves: Holiday Cards 4 Our Military Tuesday, 1/30 5-7pm Dion Boardroom

Help a local organization, Holiday Cards 4 Our Military, by assembling "card collection kits". These kits are used all over the country to collect cards which are then sorted, proofread, counted, and sent to US military members around the world. Last year, we were able to assemble 200 kits in just over an hour—let's exceed that this year!

#### TOY DRIVE: THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who donated to our annual Toy Drive! Because of your generosity and support, we collected hundreds of toys, books, and items of clothing along with \$4,405. Funds raised provided many toys, clothing, and gift cards to Nashua PAL and local foster children.



#### YOUR FEEDBACK IS NEEDED!

All students, staff, and faculty are invited for fill out a brief survey by using the QR code to the right. This will help determine what types of programs will best serve the Rivier Community. Even if you do not consider yourself religious/spiritual, it is still helpful if you fill out this survey.



Answers are completely anonymous as names and email addresses are not collected.

The Campus Ministry Office is located in Dion 203. Emily Daversa, Director of Campus Ministry, is available to meet individually with any student who wishes to engage in conversation about life in light of faith. Stop by the office or email Emily at campusministry@rivier.edu

### HERITAGE WEEK



Campus Ministry invites you to participate in Heritage Week! It is an occasion to honor the spirit and history of Rivier University, especially by remembering our roots as a Catholic College founded by the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary. This year, Heritage Week coincides with Catholic Schools Week, when we celebrate the unique characteristics and value of Catholic education.

#### 1/26—2/3: Novena in preparation for the Feast Day of Saint Marie Rivier

<u>Click here</u> for the full text of this 9-day prayer or follow along each day on Instagram and Facebook!

#### Monday 1/29: Mass at Bishop Guertin for Catholic Schools Week 9-10 am

Meet in the Dion lobby at 8:40am to carpool to Bishop Guertin High School. We will attend Mass with the High School community to celebrate Catholic Schools Week.

#### Tuesday 1/30: Riv Serves—Service Opportunity 5-7 pm

Get into the serving spirit and take some time to serve a Hollis-based organization called Holiday Cards 4 Our Military! Stop by the Dion Center Board Room between 5—7pm to help assemble "card collection kits" which aid the organization in collecting cards from all over the country and sending them to US Service Members throughout the year.

#### Wednesday 1/31

#### Mass in Resurrection Chapel 11:30 am

Join us for Mass from 11:30-Noon in Resurrection Chapel!

#### Lunch and Learn Series: Spirituality and Art 12:30—1:15 pm

All are invited to join Fr. John Bucchino in a conversation about Van Gogh's painting "Sower of the Seed" and how it might relate to our search for peace and spiritual health.

#### Thursday 2/1: "Riv's Heritage Today" Poster: All Day

Stop by the Dion Center lobby to share what Rivier's heritage means to you and how you continue Saint Marie Rivier's legacy today!

#### Friday, 2/2: Cupcake Celebration 11:30 am—1:00 pm

Stop by Dion Center lobby between 11:30 and 1:00pm for a cupcake! (while supplies last)