

TAIZE PRAYER AROUND THE CROSS PLEASE JOIN US!



The Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary would like to invite you to a contemplative hour of prayer that is held on the 2nd Thursday of every month, from 7:00 to 8:00pm in the Villa Maria del Mar Chapel.

This contemplative style of prayer – what we call Taize Prayer – includes silence, the singing of chants, scripture, Prayer around the Cross, and the Festival of Resurrection. The prayer ends promptly at 8:00pm.

The word *Taize* is unfamiliar to many of us, so what is it exactly?

Taize is a monastic community, a religious community, that is ecumenical and international. There are about 100 brothers world-wide, from 25 different countries and from different Christian churches – Catholic, Anglican, Lutheran, Reformed – trying to live together as one, to be a sign of reconciliation and peace.

The Taize Community began in 1940 during World War II. It's founder – Brother Roger – went to the small, poor village of Taize, France, and began hiding Jews and other refugees who were trying to escape the Nazi occupation.

The themes of reconciliation and peace were of the utmost importance to Brother Roger. His dream was of a community where people, who were very different, could find reconciliation and peace, and this is what we continue to pray for today...for reconciliation and peace in families, between religions, nations, and the whole human family...a desperate need in our world today.





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7 pm 2nd Thursday of the Month
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