



Celebrating, Converging, Expanding

Angela's Family

North American Ursuline Convocation 2019

Thursday, July 25 to
Sunday, July 28, 2019

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Michele Morek is an Ursuline Sister of Mount Saint Joseph, Kentucky. She holds a doctorate in biology from the University of Notre Dame and worked for many years as a professor and administrator at the college/university level. She also served for 14 years in congregational leadership positions, including six years as community leader. She is the *Global Sisters Report* liaison to women religious and organizations in North America. Her most recent position was as coalition coordinator of UNANIMA International, a religious nongovernmental organization at the United Nations.



About the Statue of Saint Angela

Created by Annette Zobel, Art Department Chair at Ursuline Academy St. Louis, this statue provided inspiration for this year's convocation. Annette shares the following about this sculpture: "My sculpture is inspired by my own deep-felt personal experiences. In that regard, it is, in a manner, also a self-portrait. Obviously not a physical portrait, but it is a look at a more personal internal landscape. My sculpture ranges from light, gestural figures in bronze to more statuesque forms in stone. I simplify the lines and forms to enhance the movement of the figures, and so as not to distract the view from the spiritual and emotional content of the work. I hope that each viewer brings his or her own unique experience to the work, since it is not my experience that is most important, but the human experience and emotion that we all share. We live in a world where we can communicate with others all day and yet never hear the sound of a real voice or experience the touch or smell of another person. I believe that art can help us find connections with others and free us, if only for a moment, from our own isolation."

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From The Committee Chairs

Welcome to the 2019 North American Ursuline Convocation!

We are very pleased to have so many members of St. Angela's spiritual family together to celebrate and expand the special way of life she has given us. No doubt we all agree that God has blessed each of us through the life and works of our foundress. Remember that St. Angela promised to, "Remain in our midst and encourage us to steadfastly continue in the work we have begun." Surely, she is here with us in St. Louis.

Our Planning Committee gathered in October of 2017. During that meeting we prayed over, pondered and deeply shared our thoughts and feelings about three topics that eventually became the underpinnings of the planning for this Convocation:

What does Angela's charism mean to you personally?

How do you see Angela's charism spreading in the next 10 years?

What would our planning process look like if Angela were sitting at this table with us?

By the end of that gathering the theme for our Convocation emerged: Angela's Family Celebrating, Converging, Expanding

Our Committee is so very thankful to everyone for joining us during these four days. We now invite you to pray, ponder and share your thoughts, feelings and vision as Angela guides us through our Convocation.

Blessings to each of you,

Carol Reamer, OSU and Russ Weil, Associate

Planning Committee Co-Chairs

Introducing the Core Planning Team

Co-Chair	Carol Reamer, OSU	Ursuline Sisters of Toledo
Co-Chair	Russ Weil, Associate	Roman Union Central Province
Hospitality Committee Chair	Aurelia Weil, Associate	Roman Union Central Province
Program Committee Chair	Barb Torio, Associate	Ursuline Sisters of Toledo
Communication Committee Chair	Josh Shoulta, Associate	Ursuline Sisters of Louisville
Participation Committee Chair		
& NAULC Mentor	Mary-Cabrini Durkin	Company of St. Ursula
NAULC Mentor	Norma Raupple, OSU	Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown
Committee Members at Large	Carol Kronfield, OSU	Ursuline Sisters of Toledo
	Jane Cruthirds	Sacred Heart Schools Louisville
	Sophia Lloyd, Associate	Ursuline Sisters of Toledo
	Amy Olson, Associate	Ursuline Sisters of Louisville

A special thanks to Kathy Williams, Ursuline Sisters of Louisville, for designing the Convocation program.

Convocation Schedule

Thursday, July 25

- 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Arrival, Convocation Check-in, Hotel KickBack in lobby or dinner on your own
- 7:00 p.m. Opening Ritual Celebration and Introduction of the Family of Angela (Fourth floor)
- A Dessert & Beverage Bar will be available following the opening ceremonies.*

Friday, July 26

- 6:00 - 8:45 a.m. Breakfast Buffet (Hotel Lobby)
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer (Fourth floor)
- 9:15 a.m. Opening Session with Keynote Speaker: Teresa Maya, CCVI, (Fourth floor)
- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch (Hotel Lobby)
- 1:30 p.m. Afternoon Session with Keynote Speaker: Teresa Maya, CCVI and panel of responders: Jane Cruthirds; Susan Durkin, OSU; Marie Chantal Mukuluku
- 3:15 p.m. Free Evening to Enjoy the City & One Another
- 3:30 p.m. Gather for Uniquely St. Louis Tour in the Lobby**
- Tour stops include the Cathedral Basilica, Favazza's Italian Restaurant and the "Garden Lights" Spectacular at the Missouri Botanical Gardens.
- **Tickets for the tour were reserved prior to convocation arrival*

Saturday, July 27

- 7:00 - 8:45 a.m. Breakfast Buffet (Hotel Lobby)
- 9:00 a.m. Prayer (Fourth floor)
- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. Breakout Session 1**
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Breakout Session 2**
- 12:00 - 1:30 p.m. Lunch in Hotel Lobby
- 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. Breakout Session 3**
- 2:50 - 3:00 p.m. Gathering Song (Fourth floor)
- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. Issues of Diversity presented by Pat Harris (Fourth Floor)
- 5:15 p.m. Liturgy (West Ballroom, First floor)
- 6:30 p.m. Celebration Dinner (Fourth floor)
- **All breakout sessions will be hosted on the first and fourth floors of the hotel. See hotel signs for breakout room designations***

Sunday, July 28

- 7:00 - 8:45 a.m. Breakfast Buffet (Hotel Lobby)
- 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Convocation Summary and Closing Ritual (Fourth floor)
- 11:00 a.m. Check-out

FAQ

Our Hotel

There are three Drury Hotels in downtown St. Louis, and several more in the metropolitan area.

We are staying at the:

Drury Plaza Hotel at the Arch

2 Fourth Street

St. Louis, Missouri 63102

(314) 231-3003

Check in time 3:00 pm

Check out time 11:00 am

The following are included for overnight guests of the hotel:

Free Hot Breakfast

Free breakfast of freshly made pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fresh fruit, oatmeal, biscuits and gravy, coffee and more. Breakfast is served daily from 6–9:30 a.m. on weekdays and 7–10 a.m. on weekends.

(For non-guests, the charge is \$10.)

Free Evening Drinks and Snacks—Drury KickBack

Free hot food and cold beverages in the Hotel lobby from 5:30–7 p.m. Every evening the Hotel offers a rotating menu of hot food, beer, wine, mixed drinks and soft drinks. (For non-guests, the charge is \$11 for food and non-alcoholic beverages.)

Free Soft Drinks and Popcorn

Freshly popped popcorn and soft drinks are available in the lobby every day from 3–10 p.m.

Free Wi-Fi throughout the Hotel

On-site business center, fitness center and pool

Nearby Drug Stores

CVS Pharmacy:

9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

909 Chestnut Street

(314) 588-0356

Schnucks Culinaria

Specialty Pharmacy:

8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

315 North 9th Street

(314) 436-7491

Nearby Urgent Care

Downtown Urgent Care:

24/7

916 Olive Street

(314) 436-9300



Mass times at The Old Cathedral

The Old Cathedral is located one block east of the Drury Hotel.

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Friday
7:00 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 7:00 a.m.

Sunday Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass Schedule

8:00 and 10:30 a.m.,

12 Noon and 5:00 p.m.

For any other information or assistance:

Please contact our Hospitality Chairperson, Aurelia Weil, whose contact information can be found on the “Things You Need to Know” sheet in your registration bag.

Old Cathedral photo: ©ExploreStLouis.com

“I Am in Your
Midst.”
— Saint Angela Merici

Friday Schedule At-A-Glance

6:00 - 8:45 a.m.	Breakfast Buffet (Hotel Lobby)
9:00 a.m.	Prayer (Fourth floor)
9:15 a.m.	Opening Session
12:00 p.m.	Lunch (Hotel Lobby)
1:30 p.m.	Afternoon Session
3:15 p.m.	Free Evening
3:30 p.m.	Gather for tour*

*pre-registration required

Our Keynote Speaker

Sister Teresa Maya is a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, San Antonio since 1994. Her ministry has been in education. Sister Teresa has served as a teacher, history professor, and administrator. She has a passion for the formation of ministers for Hispanics/Latinos in the United States. Sister Teresa got her B.A. at Yale University, her M.A. at the Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley and a Ph.D. in El Colegio de Mexico in Mexico City. She is currently serving as Congregational Leader for her Congregation and in the presidency for Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR).



La Hermana Teresa Maya pertenece a la Congregación de las Hermanas de la Caridad del Verbo Encarnado desde 1994. Su experiencia ministerial es en el área de educación. Ha servido como maestra, profesora de historia y administradora. Tiene una pasión por la formación de agentes para la pastoral hispana en EUA. La Hermana Teresa curso el B.A. en la Universidad de Yale, el M.A. en el Graduate Theological Union en Berkeley y el Doctorado en El Colegio de México, en la Ciudad de México. Actualmente es sirve como Superiora General de Congregación y en la presidencia de la Conferencia de Religiosas de E.U.A. (LCWR).

During the afternoon session, Sister Teresa will be joined by responders who represent different parts of Angela’s Family. The responders are: Jane Cruthirds, Theology Teacher, Sacred Heart Academy; Susan Durkin, OSU, Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland; and Marie Chantal Mukuluku, Company of St. Ursula.

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3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	Issues of Diversity
5:15 p.m.	Liturgy (First floor)
6:30 p.m.	Celebration Dinner (Fourth floor)

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Session 1 Breakouts

9:30–10:30 a.m.

“Living Laudato Si in the Spirit of Angela: Responding to the Disorders of Society to Unite the Family” — Fourth Floor

In this interactive session, participants will reconnect with their love of the natural world and its beauty while also lamenting its devastation, which most directly affects our sisters and brothers around the world experiencing deep poverty. We will plumb the depths of Laudato Si to discover new ways to engage the challenges of our current environmental crises, while also acknowledging the creativity that many have shown as they work to unite humanity in response.

Presenter: Sharon Bidwell

*Theology Chair, Sacred Heart Academy,
Louisville, KY*

“Where Angela Has Led Us”

May Sr. Rosemary Meiman, a true Ursuline trailblazer, rest in peace. July 11, 2019

In 1535, Angela Merici and her followers forged ahead blazing an historic and memorable trail in Brescia, Italy. From its humble beginnings in Brescia throughout the centuries, that trail is still blazing today in the work of the Ursulines through the world.

Rosemary Meiman, OSU

Archivist, New Orleans Convent

*Director, Ursuline Experience Workshop, Montana
Roman Union – Central Province*

“Live in Harmony,
united together, all
of one heart
and one will.”

— Saint Angela Merici

“Young Adults Walking with Angela” —First Floor

This session shares the experiences of young women following in St. Angela’s footsteps. These young people want to grow in their faith life, become women of service, share community and live the gospel values. They acquaint themselves with the Ursulines near them to know their history and spirit.

Presenters: Donna Frey, OSU

*Director, Catholic and Ursuline Identity,
St. Ursula Academy*

Young Adults with St. Angela (YASA)

Ursuline Sisters of Toledo

Doreen Abbott, Associate

Office of Ursuline Partnership

Young Daughters of St. Angela (Y-DOSA)

Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph

“Risking New Things: Creating Ursuline Ministries” —Fourth Floor

Participants will learn about the creation and development of Ursuline Ministries, an entity which works to enhance and support the ministries sponsored by and reflecting the charism of the Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown. Participants will discuss how this vision might align with their vision for the future of their own Ursuline ministries and programs.

*Presenter: Daniel Wakefield, Associate
Director,*

Ursuline Sisters HIV/AIDS Ministry

Ursuline Sisters of Youngstown

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“Be gentle and
compassionate
towards others.”
— Saint Angela Merici

Session 2 Breakouts 11:00–12:00 p.m.

“Angela, contemplative in the world” —Fourth Floor

Discover how the Prayer of Saint Angela, found in the “Rule, Chapter V, On Prayer”, paints Angela as a contemplative in the world. As you reflect on Angela’s relationship to God and to the world, how does it mirror your own? What is your stance in the world, as a daughter or son of Angela, that resonates with her contemplative stance?

*Presenter: Catherine Talia, OSU
Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk, US Province*

“Transfiguration: Vision and Change” —Fourth Floor

Transitioning from cloistered monastic life to an apostolic Ursuline congregation reveals the common ground of contemplation. The collaborative process of reconfiguration enhances discernment and adaptation, while creating new bonds of community. I will also briefly reference our transition from the Ursuline Motherhouse—what does community look like without a common roof, how does charism play out?

*Presenter: Carol Curtis, OSU
Ursuline Sisters of Louisville*

“Spirituality for Persons with Alzheimer’s and Related Diseases” —First Floor

This session will identify the cognitive functions and abilities that remain in each stage of Alzheimer’s and Related Diseases. And then explore the opportunities and ways that we can enhance the lives of those with Dementia with the goal of remaining spiritually connected with the presence and love of God.

*Presenter: Barbara Torio, M.Ed.,
Certified Dementia Practitioner
Ursuline Associate, Ursulines of Toledo, Ohio*

“Associate Community: Sharing Our Common Purpose and Connecting for the Future” —First Floor

All Ursuline Associates and interested friends are invited to this session. Our gathering will enable us to get to know each other and build relationships as followers of St. Angela. While we confirm our common calling, we will also learn what makes each of our Associate communities special. The group will briefly look ahead to explore future possibilities for what it means to be an Ursuline Associate.

*Facilitator: Lisa Steiner, Associate
Ursuline Sisters of Louisville*

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Session 3 Breakouts

1:30–2:30 p.m.

“Of Beds and Boats: A Conversation of Possibilities” —Fourth Floor

To the best of our discernment, we Ursuline Sisters are living a radical diminishment of Ursuline religious life in its canonical form. Are we standing at a deathbed or a birth bed? Is it time to fix the old boat or to build a new boat? And what’s happening in Honduras? Women of marginal neighborhoods are living “Angelinas,” contemplatives in the world as envisioned by Angela, organized within their parish communities for mutual support. Their lived experience as “Angelinas” is a sign of hope for midwives attending to the rebirth of Angela’s Original Vision. This presentation will be formatted for conversation and contributions of your insight... and could lead to more.

*Presenter: Lorraine Lauter, OSU
Executive Lead, Water with Blessings, Inc.
Ursulines of Mount Saint Joseph*

“Roots and Wings of Real People” —Fourth Floor

The value of women’s stories are rooted in tradition, but also graced with individuality. The uniqueness of individual journeys is alive. We need real life-giving human stories, not perfection.

*Presenter: Cheryl Clemons, OSU
Vice President, Academic Affairs
Brescia University
Ursuline Sisters of Mount Saint Joseph*

“From OSU to NGO to UN”

—First Floor

Ursulines are everywhere; in local parishes, classrooms, mission country and now in the United Nations. Come learn about Ursulines at UNANIMA, a non-governmental organization (NGO) at the United Nations which advocates on behalf of women and children (particularly those living in poverty), immigrants, refugees, and the environment. UNANIMA’s unique membership consists of 22 congregations of Roman Catholic sisters whose 20,000+ constituents work in over 80 countries. We bring their voices, concerns, and experiences as educators, health care providers, social workers, and development workers to the United Nations’ table.

*Presenters: Janet Marie Peterworth, OSU
Ursuline Sisters of Louisville
Michele Morek, OSU
Ursulines of Mount Saint Joseph*

“Ursuline Education Network: Expanding Angela’s Family” —First Floor

This session invites Ursuline Educators to discuss the tremendous task of passing on the charism of St. Angela and the legacy of our Ursuline communities to the faculty, staff, and students in UEN schools. Educators will also collaborate on the ways our schools will play a part in the transition of the wider Ursuline Community as our vowed sisters move forward into the future.

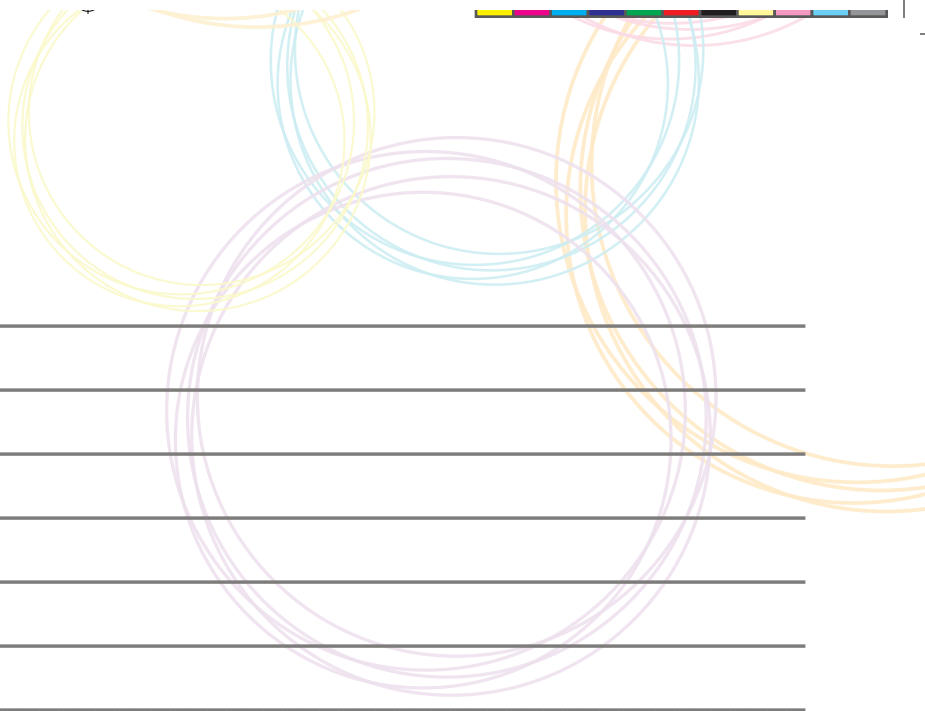
*Lead Facilitator: Dr. Karen McNay
President, Ursuline Academy
New Orleans, LA*



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spread peace
and concord
where you are.”

—Saint Angela Merici

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Issues of Diversity—Involving Our Young People in Change

3:00–4:00 p.m.

This session will present the diversity process in place at Ursuline Academy St. Louis. Pat Harris and students from Ursuline Academy will share an outline of the school's diversity plan, activities, presentations and student experiences from the Leadership for Diversity Team.


Pat Harris is a former English and Journalism teacher. She is now the Diversity Coordinator at Ursuline Academy in St. Louis, MO. As an alumna of Ursuline Academy and a parent of a UA alumna, Pat is dedicated to raising the awareness levels of the young women at the academy in the vast area of diversity, inclusion and equity. Pat is the moderator of the student Leadership for Diversity Team and strives to empower the students at Ursuline with the knowledge and resources to bring awareness to the many issues relating to diversity. Pat is one of the foundresses of Marian Middle School, a faith-based school where students receive a transformational education. She is also a member of the Catholic Schools Harmony Project.

Pat is joined by Ursuline Academy students Lucie Ramsey and Anna Gonsalves, who have just completed three years on the Leadership for Diversity Team.

Celebration Dinner

6:30 p.m.

This evening's dinner is a celebration of the tenth North American Ursuline Convocation. It was important to the North American Ursuline Leadership Conference that we take time to intentionally gather and celebrate the fruits of convocations spanning the last 27 years and the unity of our Ursuline communities. Enjoy one another, share stories, make memories, get up and dance!



*“God wants nothing
for you
but your good
and your joy.”*

— Saint Angela Merici

**The 2019 North American
Ursuline Convocation would not be
possible without the considerable
time and talent of volunteers from
our Ursuline communities.**

**Thank you for your service
and your commitment to
Saint Angela’s charism.**