<u>Campus Ministry Weekly Update</u> <u>January 17, 2022</u>

"And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."

Matthew 25:40

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of convenience and comfort, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy,"

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Happy Martin Luther King, Jr. Day!

Today the United States celebrates a man who spoke up for peace and against discrimination- who embraced the suffering that real change requiredwho ultimately gave his life so others may live.

It is fitting that this month is also one where great focus and prayer is placed on the protection, dignity, and worthiness of all human life from conception through natural death.

Real change takes both- action and prayer- which is why Campus Ministry gratefully accepts the role to foster both. With our combined focus on faith, social justice, and fellowship, we invite YOU (student, faculty, & staff) to attend our Volunteer Fair, in partnership with Career Services, this Wednesday. Volunteering can take many forms and cross many fields. Come find the right fit for you or your department as you visit with local organizations who all want to better this world and this country.

God Bless, Campus Ministry

<u>Giving Tree Thank You!</u>

Ascentria, one of the organizations we donated our Giving Tree gifts to sent us a very thoughtful digital card that we wanted to pass along to each of you.

Click here to view it!

Novena Prayer for Life

January 19-27

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life.

Participants can download the novena or sign up to receive the daily prayers via email or text message.

<u>Click here to sign up for</u> <u>reminders and to pray along!</u>

Blessed Marianna Biernacka

It is thought that Marianna was born in the little Polish village of Czokalo in 1888. She had little education and could barely read or write. At the age of 20, she married Ludwig Biernacka, a Polish farmer. They had four children, two of whom died in infancy. Their son Stanislaw and their daughter Leokadia survived. On September 1, 1939, WWII began. Hitler's orders were to "kill without pity or mercy, all men, women and children of Polish descent and language." Nazi troops came banging on Marianna's door in July 1943 to arrest her son, Stanislaw and his wife, Anna, in retribution for the death of a German soldier by the resistance movement. Anna was eight months pregnant at the time. Grandma Marianna quickly stepped in front of them and fell to her knees pleading with the soldiers to take her instead of Anna. She asked them to take pity on the unborn child and the 2-year-old. On July 13, 1943, she and son were taken to the town of Naumovich, Belarus, and while Marianna prayed the rosary they were both shot to death.

Blessed Marianna Biernacka, pray for us!

<u>Upcoming Events</u>

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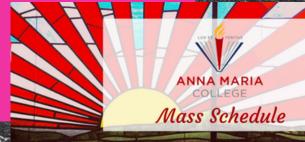
VOLUNTEER FAIR

SOME OF THE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE:

- African Community Education (ACE)
- Ascentria Care Alliance
- Assumption Mission Associates
- Catholic Charities Worcester
- Gift of Life Marrow Registry
- Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains
- Regional Environmental Council
- & More!

GET A FREE DRINK FROM THE COFFEE CABIN & ENTRY INTO A RAFFLE!

WED. JANUARY 19 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM INFO COMMONS



Sunday Mass:

5 PM

Daily Mass:

Monday - Thursday 12 PM

Adoration:

Mondays following Mass until 1 PM