



Women Religious: Leading the Way on *Laudato Si'* and the Synodal Process



Sr. Carol Zinn, SSJ

Executive Director of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious

Sr. Carol, a Sister of Saint Joseph, currently serves as the Executive Director of LCWR. Prior to this ministry, Carol served in the Presidency of LCWR; a VP for Mission Integration for Plante Moran CRESA (consulting firm with religious congregations); a member of her congregation's General Council; the NGO representative of the Sisters of Saint Joseph at the United Nations; a parish minister of religious education and music; an elementary and secondary teacher and a school principal.



Sr. Bridget Bearss, R.S.C.J.

Associate Director for Transformative Justice, Leadership Conference of Women Religious

Sr. Bridget serves as Chair of the Board of Catholic Climate Covenant. She is a member of the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, an educator, artist-writer, activist for the Beatitudes, and facilitator of processes to build and strengthen the experience of communities of dialogue, justice, and hope. Shas has brought her skills to many ministries, most notably in several schools throughout the country where she has worked as a teacher, principal, dean, and head of school.



Sr. Ricca Dimalibot, CCVI

Assistant Congregational Leader of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Houston

Sr. Ricca holds a B.S. Medical Technology and a Doctor of Medicine from the Philippines. She earned a M.A. in Theology from Aquinas Institute of Theology in St. Louis, Missouri. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians and is board-certified in Family Medicine. She currently practices at CHRISTUS Point of Light Clinic in Dickinson, TX, serving the uninsured. She has served in medical missions as a physician in the Philippines, Vietnam, Kenya and Central America.



Kascha Sanor

Director of Social & Environmental Justice for the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph

Kascha received a Masters of Divinity and Masters of Social Justice Dual Degree from the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University Chicago and attended Aquinas College in Grand Rapids, Michigan for her undergraduate degrees. Between studies, Kascha was a Jesuit Volunteer in Los Angeles, California where she returns each year for an Easter pilgrimage.

Kascha's spirituality is continually formed and sustained by the Catholic Worker Movement, Women Religious, and her Alternative Living Room Liturgy community in Chicago. She is delighted by the Holy Spirit daily and remains deeply committed to synodality.



Marianne Comfort

Interim Director of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas Justice Team

Marianne advocates for environmental and climate justice and chairs the Inter-religious Working Group on Extractive Industries, which educates and advocates on the harms of the extraction of natural resources to the environment and to human communities. She is a Mercy Associate, having made a covenant with the congregation in December 2019 and a member of St. Camillus Parish in Silver Spring, MD, and active in the Archdiocese of Washington's Care for Creation Committee. She is a graduate of St. Bonaventure University, a Franciscan institution in western New York State. Marianne is vice chair of the Board of the Laudato Si' Movement and also co-chair of LSM's Global Membership Council.