

## The Year of Grace 2022

As we begin another year, we are grateful for your support and participation in the education, advocacy and service efforts coordinated through your JPIC Office. This year of grace will be a time of furthering the mission of SND USA through efforts that revolve around the Corporate Stance Against Racism, Care for Creation and other initiatives that continue to help build a more just, merciful and loving world. May God continue to bless, sustain and guide our efforts.

## St. Claire HealthCare Receives KHA Grassroots Advocacy Leadership Award

Sr. Mary Joell Overman, SND, shared that, "St. Claire HealthCare recently received recognition for its advocacy on behalf of ALL Kentucky hospitals regarding legislation and policymaking for health services. This is a good example of how JPIC efforts are reflected through our SND-sponsored ministries."

St. Claire HealthCare (SCH) received the Kentucky Hospital Association's (KHA) first annual Grassroots Advocacy Leadership Award during its recent Health Care Leadership Conference. Donald H. Lloyd, II, SCH President/CEO accepted the award on SCH's behalf for its leadership and advocacy for Kentucky's hospitals. Throughout 2021, the St. Claire team stayed in contact with elected officials to help them understand how different pieces of legislation would impact hospitals across the Commonwealth and the thousands of healthcare workers working tirelessly to care for their neighbors.



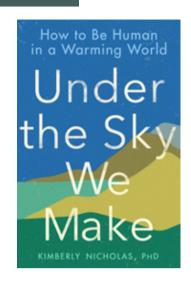
## **January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month**

Is human trafficking hidden in the things you buy or the food you eat?

Learn more at **ResponsibleSourcingTool.org** 

The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth would like to invite SND USA to join them for a virtual book discussion and conversation with the author of *Under the Sky We Make: How to be Human in a Warming World*, by Dr. Kimberly Nicholas. Dr. Nicholas is a sustainability scientist at Lund University in Sweden. In her research, she studies the connection between people, land, and climate, with the goal of stewarding ecosystems to support a good life for everyone while leaving a thriving planet for future generations. In her book, Dr. Nicholas talks about what individuals can do about climate change in our daily lives.

The discussion will take place with the author on Tuesday, February 8, 9-10:30 am Eastern Time. **Registration is required.** Purchase the book through your local book store or visit **Penguin Random House.** 





Celebrating the Eucharistic Liturgy at Holy Rosary parish, Jacksonville, FL

Please note that in 2019, Pope
Francis announced that that the
World Day of Migrants and
Refugees would henceforth be
celebrated on the last Sunday of
September. To maintain the
custom of aligning National
Migration Week with the World
Day of Migrants and Refugees, the
Catholic Bishops of the United
States recently decided to move
National Migration Week to the
last week in September, which will
take place September 20-25, 2022.

Sr Susan Marie Reineck, SND, shared that Holy Rosary parish in Jacksonville, FL welcomed new members from the Guatemalan community to their parish. Since January 2021, Sr. Mary Victora Will, SND, pastoral minister at Holy Rosary, has assisted the Guatemalans with the celebration of liturgy each Sunday evening. Sr. Victora, Sr. Dianne Rumschlag, SND, Head of Guardian Catholic, and Sr. Cynthia Shaffer, SND, the school's principal, spoke with the community after Masses to encourage and assist families in enrolling their children. Welcomed to the school were 13 children. On October 24, Holy Rosary Parish culminated its centennial with a bi-lingual Eucharistic liturgy that gave expression to its rich diversity of cultures which now includes our brothers and sisters from Guatemala! Thanks be to God for such blessings over 100 years!

With the Guatemalan community established at Holy Rosary, continued outreach has been made possible in partnership with Catholic Charities and Alba Orozco, Diocesan director of Multicultural Ministry, who requested that Holy Rosary parish host members of the Guatemalan Consulate from Miami. Members of the Consulate were welcomed to the church and school as they assisted over five hundred Guatemalans from the area with their personal records and other needs over a two-day event.

Sr. Susan Reineck's reflection: "When I observed the long lines of people patiently waiting hours for a simple piece of paper that could literally change their lives forever, or noting when some found their way to the statue of Our Lady of the Rosary inside our church, praying with such intensity of faith and trust, I pondered what each of their personal life stories were that gave these days such significance. What pain and suffering had they experienced? What losses had they endured? What fear have they felt? What hope or disappointment does the future now hold for them? I felt deeply grateful that during these two days the Sisters of Notre Dame were present with the people and able to demonstrate our caring love and witness God's goodness and provident care to others.

'God is Good all the time. All the time, God is Good!"