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# Campus Ministry Notes

Both *Faith in Action Immersion Trips* are set. Please keep the students and staff in prayer as they prepare to give of themselves in service. Here is the list of students and staff.

#### St. Francis Inn, Philadelphia:

Juan Alonzo Miguel, Matthew Armstrong, Danielle Bard, Angelica Brown, Chloe Legreid, Chloe Pajaro, Simona Rizzon, Ashley Rosario Ramos, James Vulles, and Matt Pietropaoli.



#### De La Salle Blackfeet School, Browning:



Hailey Bryan, Finity Dinagsao, Joseph Gilman, Geovanni Lugo Ramirez, Alysa La Plante, Anisah Paz, Eduardo Sidoine, and Roy Lanham.



CAMPUS MINISTRY

February 9, 2025 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Happy Birthday Emilie!**

Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> is the birthday of Blessed Emilie Gamelin, the foundress of the Sisters of Providence. And we are throwing a party!

Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 am followed by a campus wide luncheon at the University Center. All are invited to celebrate, not only Blessed Emilie's birthday, but also the witness her community has been in serving those in need



and in establishing, schools, hospitals and this great university.

One of her most famous quotes she spoke on her deathbed surrounded by the sisters of her community: *Humility, simplicity, charity, above all charity.* These virtues are the ones she embraced throughout her life and urged her sisters to model their lives on them. Blessed Emilie is a model for Christian charity and we are blessed her community came to Great Falls in 1892 and established Columbus Hospital, St Thomas Home (now St. Thomas Child and Family Center and the College of Great Falls (now University of Providence).

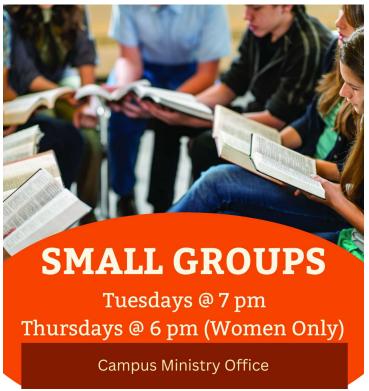
A hallmark of Blessed Emilie was her trust in divine providence. She started the Sisters of Providence in 1843, following the deaths of her three children and husband. She lived her whole life committed to serving the poor and the outcast. Mark your calendar:

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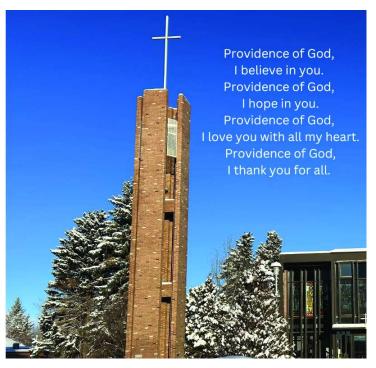
Mass at 11:30 am at Trinitas Chapel

Campus wide luncheon immediately following

At the University Center - Conference Room A.







#### A View from My Window

We get glimpses of God's grace all the time: A beautiful sunrise, a moment with a friend over a cup of tea, seeing the joy of a child lost in play, two boat loads of fish...that's right. In today's gospel reading we get a wonderful glimpse of grace, and what it demands of us.

At first glance you are thinking Jesus gets in the boat because he is a master communicator, and he wants to use the resonance from the water to preach to the crowd on the shore. Then he asks something of Simon Peter and the others: Do you trust me? He doesn't say that but it is implied. Even though they are exhausted they put out into deep waters on his word. Why?

They had already seen him at work. Jesus had healed Simon's mother-in-law and many others. Now they were listening to his preaching. It had to be compelling. In this moment he was inviting them to go deep, and not just for the long ball. Rather he invites them to enter into a deeper relationship with him where they will give up what they know in order to gain everything.

We all should take this passage and enter into it. If you will, put ourselves in the boat. Recognizing the path of faith we are already walking, how would we react to Jesus' request? We have seen what the Lord can do. We have heard his word. We call ourselves Christians. Are we ready to put out into deep waters with him?

The answer should be obvious, but I wonder if I would hesitate not because I do not trust the Lord, but because I know the catch would be amazing. I know what that catch would demand of me. It is not easy to leave it all behind to follow our Lord in freedom, and yet that is what our God invites us to do.

Peace, Roy

### **Labre Ministry**

Throughout the cold weather months the Great Falls community in coordination with Housed Great Falls provides a warming center with a meal at the First Methodist Church on Second



Ave. N. It is open from 5:30-9:30 pm. U.P. is committed to assisting with the *Cold Weather Drop-In* on *Monday evenings* (5:30 - 9:30 pm). We need folks to either provide a meal for 30-35 people and/or come and serve from 5:30 - 7:30 pm or 7:30 - 9:30 pm. You can work with others on providing the meal. We are setting up teams to rotate in each week. Interested? Email Matt Pietropaoli: matthew.pietropaoli@uprovidence.edu