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“Love is the bond that unites us with one another and with God.”

*~Blessed Theresa Gerhardinger
Letter #949, December 8, 1850*

Dear Friends and Supporters,

As I welcome you to the 2024 Women’s Leadership Luncheon, I am forever grateful for your friendship and ongoing support of our sisters. Your continued prayers, generous financial support and the many ways you serve our sister communities fills me with abundant joy, and I share with you today the blessings of our sisters in the Central Pacific Province and around the world who are impacted by your gifts. We have just celebrated 190 years since our founding and so much has changed, but the ideals we are rooted in remain the same. We can continue to serve our communities because of you.

These luncheons are our opportunity to recognize the unique impact and contributions that women make to our community and the broader world. Our Province celebrates strong and empowering women leaders in Dallas, Milwaukee, St. Louis and St. Paul, Minnesota, and we are thrilled to welcome so many of you here today.

As you embrace the fellowship of those around you, we ask that you also keep this year’s theme Women as Peacemakers in a Fractured World of Violence in mind as you visit with one another. Now more than ever before, our world is an ever-changing place where communities and entire nations are facing challenges, strife and discord. Let us do our part and help make our communities more peaceful, one smile, one small gesture, one act of kindness at a time.

I want to give special thanks to our individual and corporate sponsors who made today’s free event possible while also supporting the ongoing urgent needs of the School Sisters of Notre Dame.

With peace, blessings and gratitude,

Sister Debra Sciano, SSND

Sister Debra Marie Sciano, SSND
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Program

Welcome **Sister Debra Marie Sciano, SSND**
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Prayer **Miya Rogers, MS, LPC, NCC**
Doctoral Student-Counselor Education
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Introduction of Speaker **Mark Cameli**

Keynote Speaker **Mary Triggiano**
Director of the Marquette University
Andrew Center for Restorative Justice
“Reshaping Justice: Restorative,
Problem-Solving and Trauma-Informed”

Q&A

Closing Remarks **Mary Kay Murray**
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Speaker



Mary Triggiano
Director of the
Marquette University
Andrew Center
for Restorative Justice

Judge Mary E. Triggiano is the Director of the Andrew Center for Restorative Justice and Adjunct Professor of Law at Marquette University Law School. She teaches Restorative Justice for the Restorative Justice Clinical Program.

Prior to joining Marquette University Law School, she was the Chief Judge for District 1 Circuit Court. Governor Jim Doyle appointed her to the bench in 2004. She was assigned first to the Children's Division from August 2004 to August 2009. It was there that she became interested in restorative justice, participating in Justice Janine Geske's restorative justice circles at Green Bay Correctional Institution. She was next assigned to the Domestic Violence Court, later returning to Children's Court where she led the Family Drug Treatment Court and created the Healthy Infant Count, the first of its kind in Wisconsin.

She was a Deputy Chief Judge for Chief Judge Maxine White for over four years until becoming Chief Judge in February 2020. As Chief Judge, she worked tirelessly with justice system partners to navigate and recover from the pandemic's tremendous impact and its aftermath.

Prior to becoming a judge, she served as managing attorney for Legal Action of Wisconsin from 1994-2004. She also was an associate attorney in the litigation department at Reinhart Boerner from 1988 to 1994.

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She is a long-time member and past president of the Association for Women Lawyers. She also is a member of the State Bar of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Bar Association, the Wisconsin Association of African American Lawyers and the National Council on Juvenile & Family Court Judges. During her tenure as a judge, she sat on a variety of committees and boards.

Judge Mary Triggiano has received numerous awards over the years including, among others: the Association for Women Lawyers Community Involvement Award, Pro Bono Award and the Founders Award; St. Charles Exceeding Expectations Award; Milwaukee Young Lawyers Association/Legal Action Volunteer Lawyers Project Exceptional Leadership Award; Justinian Society of Lawyers Jurist of the Year Award; Milwaukee Bar Association E. Michael McCann Distinguished Public Service Award; To Do What Is Just Award; and the Governor’s Juvenile Justice Commission Certificate of Appreciation.

Judge Mary Triggiano graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, with a double Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice and political science and received her J.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School, in 1988.

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Jessica Horning
Chief Financial Officer
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Jessica Horning has served as the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Milwaukee Catholic Home since January 2023. Since taking over this prestigious position, Jessica and her team have made a significant impact on the financial stability and efficiency of the organization. Before becoming CFO of Milwaukee Catholic Home, Jessica had over 20 years' experience in nonprofit financial leadership, including Jewish Family Services, the YMCA, The Greater Milwaukee Foundation and The Medical College of Wisconsin. She also has experience serving as an auditor with Baker Tilly. Jessica completed her Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting from the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee in 2005 and attained her Certified Public Accounting licensure in 2009. She is active in serving on the WICPA Educational Foundation Board of Directors and other committees and task forces benefiting the accounting profession, as well as a board member of the school communities in which her children attend. Jessica and her husband Will live in Greenfield, Wisconsin with their three children.

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- 2019 Rachel Monaco-Wilcox, Founder and CEO, LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.
- 2018 Peggy Troy, CEO of Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
- 2017 Cecelia Gore, Executive Director of the Brewers Community Foundation, Inc.
- 2016 Rhonda M. Ware, Founder and President of UR Aware, LLC
- 2015 Susan Dreyfus, President and CEO of Alliance for Strong Families and Communities
- 2014 Tracy Loken Weber, Executive Director, Milwaukee Literacy Services
- 2013 Danae Davis, Chief Executive Officer, PEARLS for Teen Girls, Inc.
- 2012 Eileen Schwalbach, President, Mount Mary College
- 2011 Wendy Baumann, President/CVO, The Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation
- 2010 Sherrie Tussler, Executive Director, Hunger Task Force
- 2009 Juliette Martin-Thomas, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Alverno College and Clinical Psychologist
- 2008 Terri Mitchell, Head Coach, Marquette University Women's Basketball

Past Speakers *continued*

- 2007 Yvonne Lumsden-Dill, Executive Director, Women's Leadership Institute of Mount Mary College
- 2006 Celia Jackson, Secretary of Regulation and Licensing, State of Wisconsin
- 2005 Janine Geske, Distinguished Professor of Law, Marquette University
- 2004 Patricia O'Donoghue, Ph.D., President, Mount Mary College
- 2003 Geneva B. Johnson, Executive Director, Women's Leadership Institute of Mount Mary College
- 2002 Sue Ann Thompson, former First Lady of Wisconsin
- 2001 Diane S. Sykes, Wisconsin Supreme Court Justice
- 1999 Margaret Farrow, Wisconsin State Senator
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