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Growing in Gratitude

As **IVC Milwaukee** completes its third year of service, we continue to grow in impact and gratitude. At our closing retreat in May 2019 we followed the wise advice of St. Ignatius of Loyola and “gathered the graces” of our past year together. Here are some of the great gifts for which we give thanks and praise:

- **Added** 5 amazing new volunteers to our corps.
- **Joined** the SWIM (Scaling Wellness in Milwaukee) initiative and worked with so many dedicated community leaders who work to heal our city of trauma, poverty and despair.
- **Partnered** with 3 new sites: Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Center for Peacemaking, OneHope27.
- **Launched** a very successful reading tutoring program at St. Catherine School on 51st and Center St.
- **Purchased** health kits for all the Seton Catholic schools and created a beautiful health room at St. Catherine School.

- **Welcomed** Fr. Frank Majka, S.J. to our faith formation team.
 - **Received important financial support** from the Marquette Jesuit Community, the R.A. Stevens Foundation, the Center for Life Transitions, St. Catherine Parish on 51st and Center and St. Catherine Parish on 76th and Brown Deer Rd.
 - **Received donations**, encouragement and love from family, friends and many local Jesuits.
- We end this year of grace believing more than ever in the mission of IVC which calls mature men and women to live lives of service grounded in faith. As Pope Francis says, “Following Jesus means learning to come out of ourselves...to be the first to take a step toward our brothers and sisters!”

Monica Meagher, Director
IVC Milwaukee

Our Volunteers 2018-2019

- Anne Curley** developed a reading tutoring program at St. Catherine’s School and developed a plan more volunteers to provide reading tutoring in additional Seton schools.
- Mary Beth Driscoll**, a member of the Leadership team, worked hard on grant writing to benefit our partner agencies.
- Tom Fadden** drove a transport van at Cristo Rey taking students to and from their work assignments.
- Anne Wolfe, Mary Beth Leahy and Ann Luba** worked on Family Focus projects for the PeaceWorks program at the Center for Peacemaking.
- Joanna Galezowska** tutored Notre Dame Middle School students in math.
- Carole DeRoche and Mary Beth Leahy** served on a major asset mapping project for the SWIM initiative.
- Mark Kipfmuller** served as a site supervisor for volunteers.
- Martha Malloy** assisted Seton Catholic Schools in developing Faith Formation plans.
- Mary Ellen Ness** worked on improving the health function across the Seton Catholic schools. She obtained health kits for all the schools.
- M. Kristen Troy** created a full service health room at St. Catherine School and organized health screenings for two schools.

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OUR MISSION:

The Ignatian Volunteer Corps (IVC) provides men and women age 50 or better, opportunities to serve others while exploring their spirituality within the Ignatian tradition. IVC matches the talents of experienced adults with organizations addressing great human concerns throughout the Milwaukee area.



SUPPORT

IVC Milwaukee is doing great work in Milwaukee and values the support of many compassionate people, allowing us to continue making a difference. We are grateful. We are blessed.

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Our Community Partners and Placement Sites -

Seton Catholic Schools, provides the highest caliber of academic and spiritual formation to empower students, families and educators to attain their God-given potential through a collaborative network of Archdiocese of Milwaukee Catholic elementary schools.

Notre Dame School of Milwaukee, founded in 1996 by School Sisters of Notre Dame, is a leading Catholic college preparatory primary and middle school for Latinas.

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School for young women and men of all faiths and limited financial means, integrates rigorous academics, professional work experiences and spiritual development to empower graduates to succeed in college and life.

Center for Peacemaking, Marquette University formed by the Jesuit mission of reconciliation and working for peace, the Center fosters research and action for the promotion of social justice, human dignity and peace.

OneHope27 connects local churches and communities to provide hope and support to those involved in foster care.

Supporting Partners

Marquette University (MU) - Partnered in outreach to its alumni and included us in important university initiatives.

Gesu Parish - Generously provided office and meeting space.

The Center for Life Transitions, Inc.

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David Krill - Ignatian Business Associates

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St. Catherine Parish -
(51st and Center) grant

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LEADERSHIP TEAM

Monica Meagher, IVC Milwaukee Director; Spiritual Director - Faber Center for Ignatian Spirituality, Marquette University

Thomas Bachhuber, EdD., Co-Founder & President - Center for Life Transitions

Tom Bray, Retired; Dean of Applied Research-Milwaukee School of Engineering

Ardene Brown, PhD., Retired; Associate Dean, College of Nursing- Marquette University; Spiritual Director

Mary Beth Driscoll, Retired; Executive Director, Groundwork Milwaukee

Ruth McShane, PhD., Faculty, College of Nursing – Marquette University; CLC Guide

In loving memory. We lost a beloved member of our team this year, Tim Charek (Retired; Ministry Formation Director - St. Francis Seminary, Board of Directors-Community Advocates). We bless Tim and give thanks for all his gifts and generosity.