



## **The Community of St. Francis, First Order Sisters of the Society of St. Francis (Anglican), Province of the Americas**

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**New Offering** – Companions in Franciscan Spirituality: Ten Day Residential Immersion Programs in Franciscan Spirituality offered for women over 18. The program include studying Franciscan spirituality and living out that spirituality by sharing in our community life, worship and ministry in the church and wider community.

Companions in Franciscan Spirituality Dates in 2017: Holy Week/Easter April 7-17;  
Summer Aug. 11-21; and St. Francistide Sept. 29-Oct. 10.

The Sisters of the Community of St. Francis have lived and worked at St. Francis House in the Diocese of California since 1974. The chapel at St. Francis House, located in San Francisco's Mission District, is the center of our worship life. Guests are welcome to join us Tuesday through Friday for morning Eucharist (7:45-8:15 am) followed by breakfast. St. Francis House has a guest apartment available for people looking for a place of retreat and quiet, or in need of accommodations for a time of rest, recreation or education in the San Francisco area.

The Sisters go out from St. Francis House into the city of San Francisco where we have engaged in many types of ministries over the years, but with special concern for the poor, the marginalized and the sick. Currently we are involved with ministry at Holy Innocents Church and St. Francis Church in San Francisco, as well as Open Cathedral, the Night Ministry's outdoor Sunday Eucharist at Civic Center.

In addition to congregational involvements, Sr. Pamela Clare serves on the Diocesan Board of Examining Chaplains and teaches Social Ministry at the School for Deacons. Srs. Maggie and Pamela Clare are co-facilitators for the annual Advent Quiet Days at the Bishop's Ranch. Sr. Ruth is the founder and resident director of The Family Link, a hospitality ministry which provides affordable accommodations and support for families visiting loved ones with life-threatening medical conditions. The work began during the AIDS crisis of the 1980s and now welcomes families of people with AIDS and cancer, people in need of organ transplants, as well as those who have suffered serious injuries from accidents. The Sisters are also engaged in ministry with Martin de Porres House of Hospitality (a Catholic Worker soup kitchen) and the Care Through Touch Institute (which offers free healing massage for homeless and marginalized people) and participate regularly in peace and justice work. The Care Through Touch Institute provides the opportunity each Holy Week for volunteers to learn a simple form of foot massage and on Maundy Thursday to participate in a mass foot massage event around the Tenderloin in San Francisco. Contact Sr. Pamela Clare if you are interested.

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