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- Ailish O’Brien rsm

‘Agency ~ Access ~ Action’

- Julia Upton rsm

‘What are the important social markers for me of this age in which we live?’

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‘Worldwide movement (The Shift) to provide a platform to unite and amplify support for the right to housing, to change the conversation, and to encourage government engagement and action.’

- Angela Reed rsm

‘The character of children can develop through the positive influence of a confident teacher whose behaviour can be emulated by the children and inspire them towards meaningful lives.’

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-Elizabeth Dowling rsm

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-Mary Pendergast rsm

We good women, women of Mercy, are invited to be midwives of the birth of our God in our community living, in our ministry, in our advocacy for women and children, in our care for Earth.

-Elizabeth Marrie rsm

An incarnational worldview is the only way we can reconcile our inner worlds with the outer one, unity with diversity, physical with spiritual, individual with corporate and divine with human.

(Richard Rohr)

How do I now understand God's intimate presence in all creation?

-Guiding Group

We do need to be scrupulous about the "throw away" mentality/culture in our concern for Mother Earth, our common home, as part of the cosmos where God Incarnate in the person of Jesus dwells, especially among the least of our brethren. Enough is just what we need.

-Margaret Mary Alamban rsm

As people of Mercy and people of faith, we are challenged to both cry out against oppressive systems and to contemplate the Cosmic Christ who dwells amongst us and fills us with hope.

-Angela Reed rsm

The radical divine reach in Christ through human flesh comes all the way down into the living web of organic life.

(Elizabeth Johnson)

Left: Into the Deep, © Mary Southard csj

The Compassionate Heart of the Cosmos, Corlita Bonnarens rsm

We carry within us the precious gold of life, the sacred fragrance of God, the healing salve of love. Let us live it together.

(John Philip Newell)

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