



In the tradition of the
Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth

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Loving Relationships

Our focus for these coming months will be on Loving Relationships, one of the Core Values for ministries sponsored by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Loving relationships stem from the relationships present in the Trinity, and by extension, in the Holy Family according to Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd.

Loving relationships capture the heart of our mission. Through the loving relationships we enjoy and cultivate with others, we encounter God in a most unique way.

St. John reminds us that God is love! (1 John 4:8). The life-giving love of a magnanimous God urges us to form loving, compassionate and reverential relationships both personally and professionally. ("The love of Christ urges us on...." 2 Cor. 5: 14)

For the next several months we will reflect on loving relationships through the lens of 1 Cor. 13: 4-8:

"Love is patient, love is kind. Love is not jealous, is not pompous, it is not inflated, it is not rude, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice over wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails."

Each time we meet via this communication, we will use this Scriptural invitation to highlight the features of love and loving relationships.

Words of our
Foundress,
Blessed Mary of
Jesus the Good
Shepherd



*"The Word
Incarnate and
Love itself came
from Nazareth.
Hence, charity
(love) must
always flourish
and reign among
us..."*

If you have any examples of loving relationships in your ministry, we can all benefit from reading about each other's experiences in ministry.

Please send your stories in your own words to me and we will share the beauty of our Mission-Being-Lived!

In the Holy Family,

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