



## The Global Ursuline Family Held in our Hearts

As Ursuline Schools of the Roman Union, sharing the legacy of Angela, we are bound to one another by the bond of charity, one in heart and will. We celebrate our diversity and cherish our unity. We hold in our hearts each member of our global Ursuline family.

### **(ALL) We hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers on the continent of Africa . . .**

We hold in our hearts the community of Brescia House School in Johannesburg, South Africa. We ask the Lord to guide the parents, the educators, the spiritual leaders of this Catholic Ursuline school, and all who take on the very important role of guiding the youth of South Africa as good role models in their lives. Jesus, guide and teach these people in leadership positions, so that they may serve their families and their communities with wisdom and care. We ask that You hold in the palm of Your hand the Ursuline Sisters of Southern Africa, the founders of Brescia House School.

*Christine Booyse - Head of Ethos  
Brescia House School*

### **(ALL) We hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers on the continent of Asia . . .**

We hold in our hearts the people of Indonesia. May all leaders of Indonesia pay attention to those who are suffering, poor and marginalized.

*Sumardi  
Province of Indonesia*

### **(ALL) We hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers on the continent of Australia . . .**

We hold in our hearts the Australian Ursuline sisters and all members of the Ursuline school communities as they remember the victims of a devastating helicopter crash on the Gold Coast that killed 4 people. May all the survivors, families, and witnesses involved be blessed with the peace of Christ.

*Angela Collins - Assistant Principal of Mission and Identity,  
St Ursula's College Toowoomba*

### **(ALL) We hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers on the continent of Europe . . .**

We hold in our hearts the people of France. May all those in the Merician network feel the breath of the spirit to adapt and find new solutions as they work on restructuring the future of Ursuline religious communities and the transmission of the charism to the laity in the face of the decline in the number of Ursulines. Let us pray that the Lord will open new paths so that the charism may continue to be transmitted.

*Dominique Garnier – School Pastoral Assistant  
Province of France*

We hold in our hearts the people of Ireland. May peace fill people's homes and hearts. May all Irish people feel the presence of the Lord in their lives, giving them peace and comfort, especially young people suffering from mental illness.

*Edel Murray - Religion Teacher & Chaplain  
Ursuline College Sligo*

We hold in our hearts the people of Poland. We thank God for the gift of St. Angela as an example of holiness. Bless our families with peace, strength, and health. Lord have Mercy and shower Grace on our teachers and students!

*Anna Trella-Lesnik  
The Ursuline Schools of the Roman Union in Rybnik, Poland*

We hold in our hearts the Ursuline sisters of the General Council in Rome. St. Angela is called to be the instrument of peace, not only through her speech and writings but with her whole being and presence. Lord Jesus, you took the mother of Simon Peter by your hand and helped her up, so she immediately was able to serve you. Please hold us and transform our whole being, so we can be the instrument of your peace.

*Sr. Agatha Linda Chandra, OSU  
General Councilor*

**(ALL) We hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers  
in the Americas . . .**

We hold in our hearts the people of Barbados. We pray for guidance for the families of the staff and students of the Ursuline Convent School as they chart the way forward faced with the imminent closure of the school next term. Grant them discernment, Lord as they choose their future paths. Keep them focused on your will and grant them your peace.

*Brenda Cumberbatch - Vice Principal  
Ursuline School in Barbados*

We hold in our hearts the people of Chile. May the love of Jesus be at the center of each one of the members of all Ursuline families.

*Estela Castro - Academic Coordinator  
Colegio Santa Úrsula Chile*

We hold in our hearts the people of Mexico. We ask Jesus to accompany all those refugees who are struggling for life. Help all those they encounter to offer them love and compassion. We pray for all the Ursuline sisters of the Province of Mexico who have been born into eternal life. Especially we pray for Sr. Rosita Ordóñez who died recently in the Ursuline community of Tabasco.

*Josefina Granados Torres, OSU  
Province of Mexico*

We hold in our hearts all those in the United States who are living in fear and are victims of crime, violence, racism, and injustice. In the Western Province, we hold in our hearts the people of Moscow, Idaho. We pray for the much-needed healing of hearts and lives for all who have been affected by the devastating murders of the University of Idaho students this past November. We pray for their parents, siblings, relatives, and friends. We pray too for the murderer that he may realize what he has done and be repentant.

*Sr. Margaret Johnson, OSU & Barbara Aston  
USA Western Province*

## **Sending Forth Blessing**

**(ALL) May we hold all of God's creation in our hearts  
as we reflect on our gifts of diversity and unity.**

*(Side 1)* May we be "bound together by the bond of charity,  
esteeming each other, helping each other."

*(Side 2)* May we be instruments of peace in our lives  
and in our leadership roles at our Ursuline schools.

*(Side 1)* May we bring the light of Jesus to all those we meet and serve.

*(Side 2)* May we always know we are held in the loving heart  
of Jesus Christ.

**(ALL) May we build a better world by truly living out St. Angela's call to  
"live in harmony, united together, all of one heart and one will."**



