

Please come for the first presentation in this second year of our Bicentennial Sacred Heart Spirituality Series

~ **2017-2018 Philippine Duchesne Bicentennial Speakers Series** ~  
**Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School**

In 2018, we will celebrate the 200th Anniversary of Saint Philippine's arrival and missionary venture in America, signifying 200 years of Sacred Heart education in America, 200 years of Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, and 200 years of the Society of the Sacred Heart's internationality. It is our wish to make the entire two-year "Philippine Duchesne Bicentennial Sacred Heart Spirituality Series" inspiring, informative, memorable, and worthy of our American Founder.

## *Companions in Mission*

presented by

**Frances Gimber, RSCJ**



**First Friday, November 3, 2017**

**9:30 a.m. coffee and goûter in the Parlor Dining Room**

**9:45 a.m. prayer and presentation in Global Education Center (GEC)**

**11:00 a.m. closing**

Sr. Gimber will present the story of the first religious of the Sacred Heart who came with Saint Philippine Duchesne to North America in 1818: her four travelling companions, Eugénie Audé, Octavie Berthold, Marguerite Manteau, and Catherine Lamarre.

Since returning to Saint Louis in 2012, Sr. Gimber has worked on the translation of a major history of the Society of the Sacred Heart and various editorial projects. In addition, at present, she helps in the archives where she worked full time from 2002 to 2010. Prior to coming here to take charge of the archives, she spent seven years in the secretariat and communications section of our motherhouse in Rome. Before that, she was a teacher, surveillante, headmistress, director of studies in a variety of Sacred Heart schools in this country (Kenwood, Stone Ridge, Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich, Convent of the Sacred Heart, New York and Woodlands) and one in Japan. Her novitiate training was at Kenwood in Albany, and she was professed in Rome in 1964. In summary, Sr. Gimber says, "I have always been vitally interested in our Society's history and our mothers, and this interest has deepened in the last years as a result of my work both at the motherhouse and in the archives."

*Remaining presentations in this year's series are:*

**FIRST FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2018** ~ Carolyn Osiek, RSCJ: *Philippine Duchesne in Her Own Words*

Sr. Osiek's presentation will be a new look at Philippine through some of her own as yet largely unpublished writings, to see more deeply into her joys, sorrows, challenges, and hopes which still impact us today.

**FIRST FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2018** ~ Margaret Munch, RSCJ: *An Overview of the Mission of the Society of the Sacred Heart to the Potawatomi in eastern Kansas from 1841-1879*

In addition to Saint Philippine's time with the Potawatomi at Sugar Creek, Sr. Munch's talk will include how the Society began the Mission in 1841, some highlights of the Society's years there, and the circumstances of the termination of the Mission in Kansas in 1879.

*The Sacred Heart Spirituality Speakers Series is sponsored by the Mums of Alums at Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School for the benefit of the entire Sacred Heart family. The series represents the Mums' effort to participate in the stewardship of the vision of Saint Madeleine Sophie - a second sowing of the Sacred Heart mission by parents who gave to their children the gift of Sacred Heart education and who continue to cherish Life at the Sacred Heart. For information, please contact Cathie Ott at [cathieott365@att.net](mailto:cathieott365@att.net).*

**All are most welcome!**