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2018-2019 Annual Appeal

Dear Friend,

I'm writing to you today about a Sister who is changing lives in inner-city Chicago. We CNDs say that we “dare to go to the peripheries” and “respond in hope to the cries of our wounded world.”

How do we do that, exactly?

One way is through education. The CNDs have been working as teachers since our founding by St. Marguerite Bourgeoys in 1658. Many of you have learned from CNDs in schools extending from New England to Oklahoma.

Sr. Darleen Mayo, CND, has been an educator for 50 years. She has served in the Midwest and on a South Dakota Native American reservation. She now trains young teachers to “go to the peripheries.” She mentors them in a unique program based in Catholic inner-city schools in Chicago. Operated by Loyola University, it's called Chicago Opportunities in Catholic Education (LU-CHOICE).

Sr. Darleen has worked with over 60 teachers in this program. Her main task is to guide the teachers' relationships with their students. She'll show teachers how to help the students with their academic lessons and also with their life issues. For instance, she'll supply solutions for the students to settle conflicts nonviolently. And she'll offer methods of preventing arguments from breaking out in the first place.

Sr. Darleen meets with the teachers and visits the schools almost every day. Yet the stipend she receives does not cover all her expenses. Won't you please give \$50, \$100 or more to our Annual Appeal to help support Sr. Darleen's presence with the teachers she mentors?

The novice teachers get a Master's degree in education for their two-year teaching commitment. They pledge to live simply in community and to take part in reflections and retreats. Almost all go through a period of wanting to give up. With Sr. Darleen's encouragement, though, they blossom their second year. Most of them remain in Catholic education.

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Sr. Darleen Mayo, CND, with teachers Ashley Hendzell and Erin Monahan

“It’s exciting to see these young people grow,” Sr. Darleen says. “They are generous, and filled with faith and the desire to give to others. They’re also some of the brightest. They come from good schools and have been very successful. They’re not used to the struggle in the situations they’re in. It’s a real growth experience for them.”

The CND legacy is being nourished by these dedicated educators. “We were the ones out there doing the teaching. Now we can support and mentor these beautiful young people. They want to be associated with our spirit of service. They are willing to give time, love, care, and patience – they want good things for the kids. *They are picking up the ball and wanting to be with those on the peripheries. Our work is being carried on in a new way.*”

Sr. Darleen is inspiring a fresh generation of teachers to “respond in hope to the cries of our wounded world.”

I remember when I was struggling with fighting and unkind behavior in my classroom. To reward the kids who were living up to classroom expectations, Sr. Darleen made peacemaker ribbons. The kids could earn them by being kind and loving to each other. They were so proud and excited to wear their badges. Everything started to turn around in my classroom. Sr. Darleen is a member of our LU-CHOICE family. I could never thank her enough for everything she has done for me. – Nicole Devens

Please support Sr. Darleen in her beautiful ministry. She is transforming the lives of inner-city students and the young teachers who give so generously of their time. Please be generous and give to our Annual Appeal.

In gratitude,



Mary Anne Powers, CND
Province Leader

PS: I realize \$50 or \$100 may be large gifts for some, while others can give more. Please know that whatever amount you give is greatly appreciated.



Ashley Hendzell and student

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Sr. Darleen mentors young teachers serving in inner city Catholic schools in Chicago. Please give to our Annual Appeal and support Sr. Darleen's important work. ***Sr. Darleen is just one of the CNDs who ministers to the disadvantaged and receives only a stipend or no pay at all. Your gift will help cover these Sisters' expenses, and those of our retired and infirm CNDs as well.***

Yes! I want to support the powerful ministry of Sr. Darleen Mayo and all the CNDs.

Please accept my one-time gift of \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 I prefer to give \$_____

Please enroll me in the *Visitation Companions* program with a monthly gift of

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