



**Sisters of Charity Federation Meeting
June 1–5, 2017 in New York**

May 9, 2017

Dear Federation Leadership Teams and NGO Rep and Liaisons,

Happy (new) Feast of St. Louise! Thanks for registering for the 2017 Gathering of Leadership teams and NGO Rep and Liaisons! The Sisters of Charity of New York continue their planning for your arrivals and their celebrations of the arrival of three Sisters of Charity from Emmitsburg in 1817. We welcome 69 leaders, 13 NGO liaisons plus staff and presenters!

The Board of Directors met in March and finalized edits to the ***Futuring 2017 and Beyond*** document. You will be receiving soon written reports from the President, NGO Rep, Executive Director and all the collaborative ministries / committees / task forces of the Federation.

Thanks for reading the reports before the meeting so that we can concentrate our time together in deepening our interconnectedness as a Federation by:

- Identifying and honoring the diversity among us
- Recognizing our current reality
- Articulating the implications as we live into our shared future.

Here are the time frames for our gathering:

NGO Meeting:	Wednesday, May 31 at 1 PM until noon on Friday, June 2
Leadership:	Thursday, June 1 at 7 PM until noon on Monday, June 5
Orientation New Members:	Thursday, June 1, 3 - 5 PM
Federation Members Board:	Monday, June 5, 8 AM breakfast
SC Federation Board Meeting:	Monday, June 5, 1 - 4 PM

Logistics:

**Westchester Marriott Hotel, 670 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, New York
914-631-2200.**

Please confirm that you have reserved the hotel rooms you need. There is an indoor swimming pool and fitness center at the hotel. Check in time is 3 PM. If rooms are ready, hotel will assign rooms earlier. Parking is complimentary.

For those arriving by plane, you will receive a complete list of travelers and SCNY drivers with cell phone numbers to facilitate your finding one another as you arrive.

The NGO Rep and liaisons plus the Seton Heritage Ministries Board and Governance Committee meet before the opening of the leadership meeting. Folks new to the Federation are invited to the orientation for new leaders at 3 PM on June 1.

Registration will begin at 2 PM on June 1. Dinner will be served on June 1 at 5:30 PM, followed by the Welcome and Opening Ritual. If you arrive earlier, you are welcome to explore the restaurants in the hotel and the area.

We are grateful to the planning committee and the large number of SCNY Sisters, Associates and staff who are diligently preparing for this Federation event in the midst of their 200th anniversary celebrations! We are thrilled to be part of it all!

Thank you.

The 2017 Planning Committee:

Sisters Jean Rhoads DC, Kathy Byrnes and Mary McCormick SCNY, Maryanne Ruzzo SC-H and Deborah Humphreys SC-St. Elizabeth and Executive Director Julie Cutter with facilitator Florence Hee OSF.