



How will my church benefit from Sister Parish?

Sister Parish arranges and facilitates international linkages between faith communities in the U.S. and Central America.



Key features:

Long-term, mutually beneficial relationships based on equality and respect

On-going communication and interaction

Regular back-and-forth visits between communities

Home stays during visits

Our members in the U.S. and Central America say Sister Parish:

- Fosters deep and loving friendships
- Enriches us with a sense of connection and belonging to a Christian community of sisters and brothers that transcends borders and other barriers
- Broadens our perspective of the world
- Encourages reflection on our purpose in and contribution to the world
- Encourages recognition of mutual concerns, shared struggles and commonalities across different groups and cultures
- Promotes mutual respect and dignity for all people
- Increases understanding across racial, cultural and class lines
- Deepens our understanding of the power of faith
- Teaches us to minister to each other in equal measure
- Offers opportunities to live out God's command to love our brothers/sisters as ourselves

- Invites us to work together to share equally in the fullness of God's creation
- Fosters positive personal change as a result of insights gained through experience
- Offers opportunities for deep personal and social transformation
- Encourages people to become more independent and empowered
- Helps us to recognize structural and systemic policies as root causes of social problems
- Fosters community-led development in the U.S. and Central America
- Promotes individual and parish-wide thinking about peace and justice issues
- Encourages us to consider the reality of others
- Provides opportunities to move from an abstract belief in concepts of equality and justice to deep, lasting commitments that inspire people to work for social transformation

When you join Sister Parish, Inc.

Your relationship also benefits from experienced staff that serves as your liaison between delegations. Staff facilitate and interpret communication, encourage participation in both communities, problem-solve if and when conflicts arise, and organize delegations.



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