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Dear Friends of Our Lady of Florida,

I am so pleased to be the new director of the spiritual center. I look forward to meeting you over the coming months. I look forward to seeing you at my first Spiritus Dei Gala.

Please join us as we celebrate another year of programs and retreats at Our Lady of Florida. The Spiritus Dei Gala is our single most important fundraising event during the year. Without support for this campaign we would not be able to provide the retreats and events offered at the spiritual center. We are counting on you!

We rely on generous individuals and businesses like you to keep Our Lady of Florida alive. Our program revenue only covers 60% of the spiritual center's expenses. Your support covers 40% of operating expenses at Our Lady of Florida. The Spiritus Dei fundraising campaign provides the majority of the 40%.

The Passionists at Our Lady of Florida serve all people, from individuals to parish groups and beyond. The Spiritual Center is also host location for Family Promise, serving the homeless. No one is turned away from any program or retreat. All people are welcomed here.

We would love to tell you stories about what happens here, but as Scripture says so beautifully: 'I do not think the whole world could contain the books that would be written' (John 21:25).

You Can Help!

Our 48th Annual Spiritus Dei Gala is being held on **Sunday, March 22, 2020 from 6:30pm until 9:30pm at Lost Tree Club** in North Palm Beach. This will include a wonderful evening of cocktails, dining, and dancing.

We will have some very special presentations the evening of the Gala. We will be honoring **V. Rev. Charles Notabartolo**, Vicar General of the Palm Beach Diocese and Pastor of St. Jude Parrish for his service to God and his spiritual leadership in the faith community. We will also be honoring **Terry Gearing** for her service to God and the community.

Please mark your calendar for this event. We hope you can join us.

We ask that you share your resources and bond with this ministry as we serve you and the community. Please see the enclosed event materials for details on how you can help.

In our individual ways, and with the gifts God has given us, we strive to carry out His ministry. By sharing a portion of your gifts with Our Lady of Florida, the spiritual center is able to continue providing a spiritually open environment for all those on a faith journey. You join in His ministry and in ***Spiritus Dei*** (the Spirit of God) with your response to this appeal.

We remain, in the Spirit of God,

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Rev. Junesh Xavier, C.P., Director

Diane McNeal

Diane Peterson McNeal, Gala Chair