

Formation Framework for Mercy Mission and Charism

Overall Aim:
Forming a Mercy Culture for the sake of God's Mission

Engaging the Story	Developing a Reflective Stance	Experiencing Mercy in Action	Growing a Just and Compassionate Community
<p>We intend to assist people to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Appreciate the story of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Catherine -Scripture -Mercy -Early Sisters -Catholic Tradition -organization/ministry - world views -universe story ✚ Own the foundational story and legacy/heritage ✚ Bring the uniqueness of the story alive in ministry, by holding the significance and by interpreting the story in contemporary settings ✚ Set the personal story in dialogue with all stories of 'the other' ✚ Engage in dialogue with 'the other'. 	<p>Action and contemplation are two sides of the same coin. In the mercy tradition, each enlightens and regulates the other.</p> <p>Developing a reflective stance intends to develop a person's ability to-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Take time to rest and reflect ✚ Capture and share a sense of wonder in day to day events ✚ Cultivate mindfulness leading to gratitude, celebration and hope ✚ Experience reflective space within each program and each decision making process ✚ Experience creative expression as a way to explore the contemplative dimension of life ✚ Critique mercy action ✚ Engage in, and understand other reflective practices. 	<p>We intend to assist people to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Develop a capacity to witness Mercy ✚ Risk stepping beyond their comfort zone ✚ Engage in corporal and spiritual works of mercy ✚ Be active voices for justice ✚ Strive to incorporate Mercy values in all dealings and interactions ✚ Discern how Mercy in Action is observed/lived in specific contexts (both individually and collectively) ✚ Participate as global citizens 	<p>The intent is that the community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✚ Be open and respectful to the diversity and uniqueness found within each individual ✚ Be understanding of the connectedness of all creation ✚ Model merciful behaviour ✚ Be prepared to challenge unjust structures and practices for the common good.