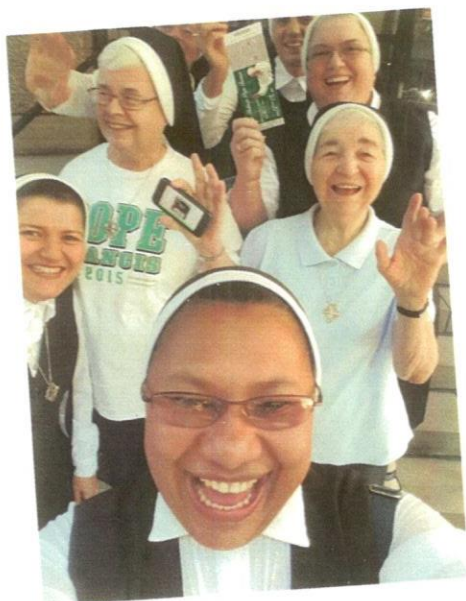


Come . . .



and follow me!



Do not be afraid, for I am  
with you.

Here I am Lord, I come to  
do your will. . .



Send me as a Daughter of  
Divine Charity to make  
God's love visible in the  
world



The Congregation of  
the Daughters of  
Divine Charity was  
founded by Servant of  
God, Mother Franziska  
Lechner in Vienna,  
Austria on November  
21, 1868.



As the Congregation  
grew, she adopted the rule of Saint Augustine  
to guide the life of her community.

She challenged her sisters to make God's love  
visible among the people, beginning with young  
women coming to the cities by providing them  
with love, acceptance, as well as having  
housing, educational opportunities and job  
training. Other ministries followed, thus  
fulfilling her motto, "All for God, for the poor  
and for our Congregation."

Mother Franziska Lechner died in Austria in  
1894 leaving 350 daughters to continue her  
mission in 25 existing ministries.

Today, over a thousand sisters continue her  
legacy of love on 4 continents : Europe, Africa,  
North and South America which encompasses  
22 countries. In 2018 we will celebrate our  
150th Jubilee.

We, the Daughters of Divine Charity in the  
U.S. began our mission in 1913.

Today we are known as Holy Family Province  
dedicated - "To do good, to give joy, to make  
happy and to lead to heaven." M. Franziska  
Lechner