Daughters of Charity Health System
O'Connor Hospital
Mission and Vincentian Values

Our Mission
In the spirit of our founders, St. Vincent de Paul, St. Louise de Marillac, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the Daughters of Charity Health System is committed to serving the sick and the poor. With Jesus Christ as our model, we advance and strengthen the healing mission of the Catholic Church by providing comprehensive, excellent healthcare that is compassionate and attentive to the whole person: body, mind, and spirit. We promote healthy families, responsible stewardship of the environment, and a just society through value-based relationships and community-based collaboration.

Our Vincentian Values
The Charity of Christ urges us to:

RESPECT
Recognizing our own value and the value of others.

COMPASSIONATE SERVICE
Providing excellent care with gentleness and kindness.

SIMPLICITY
Acting with integrity, clarity and honesty.

ADVOCACY FOR THE POOR
Supporting those who lack resources for a healthy life and full human development.

INVENTIVENESS TO INFINITY
Being continuously resourceful and creative.
Commissioning Ceremony

Leader As associates at O'Connor Hospital, you are called to join in our mission of serving the sick and the poor.

In the Hebrew Scriptures and throughout history we read of people being anointed, commissioned, and specially marked to carry out their mission among the people. So today we set aside a special moment to commission our new associates who will minister in association with the Daughters of Charity in carrying out the healing ministry of Jesus Christ. In your own unique and special way, each of you will contribute to the effectiveness of this mission.

Let us be mindful of the presence of God here with us today.

The Journey

The Mission and Values of the Daughters of Charity in action

Leader Let us stand and join in affirming our commitment to the Vincentian values.

All We ask for God's help as we commit ourselves to serve the sick and the poor:

- **With Respect**
  Recognizing our own value and the value of others.

- **With Compassionate Service**
  Providing excellent care with gentleness and kindness.

- **With Simplicity**
  Acting with integrity, clarity and honesty.

- **With Advocacy for the poor**
  Supporting those who lack resources for a healthy life and full human development.

- **With Inventiveness to Infinity**
  Being continuously resourceful and creative.

Leader God of love, you have given us the gift of life and this opportunity to minister to the sick and the poor.

All Help us to be aware of our strengths and our limitations. We are stronger when we work together and value the contributions of others.

Leader Divine light, be our guide throughout our life.

All Give us the patience to listen carefully, strength to serve our sisters and brothers in their time of need, and the use of our hands to bring your healing to all whom we serve.

Commitment Letter

Leader Creator God: You created us in your own image. Your breath brings us to life. You look upon your handiwork and behold it as very good. As co-workers in sustaining your creation may we see within ourselves the imprint of your handiwork; feel within ourselves the breath of your spirit; and recognize within ourselves the image of your face.

All Amen

Leader May we embody your compassion as we commit ourselves to the mission of serving you through bringing your healing love to each other and all those we are privileged to serve.

All Amen

Leader Let us go forth, confident that we go with God and each other to embrace the mission of the Daughters of Charity to love and serve the sick and the poor.

All Amen