

*"To speak the joy of my soul at the prospect of being asked to assist the poor, visit the sick, comfort the afflicted, clothe little innocents and teach them to love God!"*

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Since 1817, the Sisters of Charity of New York have helped shape the landscape of service to those in need, from the establishment of hospitals and schools to the creation of innovative ministries that serve immigrants, abused women, the homeless, people with physical or mental illness, and others. In the apostolic tradition, we reach out to those who hunger for God's love, sharing the Gospel in creative ways that meet the needs of times.



*Sisters of Charity serving the people of Guatemala, Central America ...*



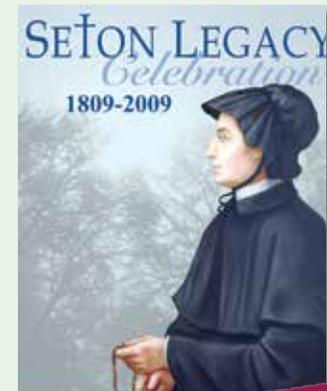
*.... and in New York in ever new ways!*

Our mission as Sisters of Charity is to share in the ongoing mission of Jesus by responding to the signs of the times in the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, by revealing the Father's love in our lives and in our varied ministries with and for all in need, especially those living in poverty.



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## *Imagine A World...*

where people share their  
faith openly, joyfully  
where every woman, man and child  
is valued and loved  
where no one wants for food,  
shelter, health care or companionship  
where daily life is infused  
with the values of the Gospel  
peace and justice reign  
in our hearts and in the world

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**SISTERS**  
*of* **CHARITY**  
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# A Closer Look at Charity

“We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of His love.”

*St. Vincent de Paul*



Shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
at Our Lady of the Rosary Parish  
State Street, New York City

*“Contemplate how you are being asked to give your heart to God amidst your everyday activities. Be prepared to meet your grace in every circumstance of life.”*

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

**Q.**

**What does charity mean?**

**A.**

**Charity is not merely an isolated gesture of kindness.**

**It asks us to become full partners in healing for those who suffer.**

**It demands that we address social structures which perpetuate poverty and oppression.**

**Charity is challenging, but it is not work!**

**It is love in action, a courageous way of life that is rewarding beyond measure....**

*Have you thought  
of doing something great  
with your life?  
Why not consider  
choosing a religious life?*

Sisters or “nuns” are dedicated to helping others and to living a simple life.

Sisters make public vows of poverty, chastity and obedience to God which are lived out in a consecrated life of prayer and ministry.

*We choose to focus our energies in, and deepen our commitment to:*

- » Collaboration
- » Sponsorship
- » Outreach to young adults
- » Relationship with Church
- » Immigration/poverty/human trafficking

SISTERS OF CHARITY ASSEMBLY STATEMENT 2011



College of Mount Saint Vincent students host Thanksgiving dinner with the Sisters.