

Webinar, December 2, 2020, Wednesday, 4-5 PM, EST  
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## Remember and Recommit: 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women Martyrs of El Salvador



On December 2, 1980, four Catholic missionaries from the United States, who were working with the oppressed people of El Salvador, were abducted, raped, and murdered by five members of the El Salvador National Guard under orders from their military commanders. They were Ursuline Sister Dorothy Kazel, Maryknoll Sisters Maura Clarke and Ita Ford, and lay missionary Jean Donovan. Today we remember and honor their selfless service and personal courage. We also recommit ourselves to continuing their witness to justice and nonviolence.

**Cynthia Glavac, OSU**, is the archivist for the Ursuline Sisters of Cleveland, serving as curator for the extensive Sr. Dorothy Kazel Collection. Sister Cynthia, a member of the Ursuline congregation since 1973, taught composition and literature for 26 years at various Ursuline institutions. She is the author of *In the Fullness of Life*, Dorothy Kazel's official biography (1996, 2019), and the editor of *In Love, in Faith, In Solidarity: Dorothy, Jean, Carla, Ita, and Maura* (2015).



**Martha Owen, OSU**, served in El Salvador as a mission partner to Dorothy Kazel, OSU, from 1974-1979, where both were members of the Cleveland Latin American Mission Team. A member of the Ursuline congregation since 1959, Sr. Martha has served in various educational roles for her congregation and beyond. Sr. Martha continues to give presentations in the US and Canada on the four women martyrs of El Salvador.



**Gloria Ardenio Agnes, MM**, worked as a teacher, campus minister, and office administrator at a Catholic School in Manila, Philippines before she joined the Maryknoll Sisters in 2009. Her first assignment was in Bolivia, where she ministered in an orphanage for boys and also worked in a tutorial center teaching computer skills. In 2014, Gloria was assigned to El Salvador, where she worked with the HIV+ populations. At present, Sister Gloria is serving as a Congregational Vocation Co-Director.



**Norma Pocasangre, MM**, was born in Ciudad Barrios, El Salvador. After graduating from university, she worked in various NGO's in rural areas of El Salvador. In 2003, Norma entered the Maryknoll Sisters Congregation, and in 2006, she was sent to Hong Kong, China, on her first mission. In 2014, Sister Norma was assigned to do vocation ministry on the West Coast of the United States for five years. Currently, she is studying pastoral counseling at Loyola University, Chicago.



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