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I'm hoping that this month will be a blessed one for all of you. Yesterday was the feast of St. John of God. The foundress of our community, Nano Nagle, chose that name for herself when she founded our community in the 1700's. St. John of God, himself, offered shelter to the poor and homeless people in the streets. Likely, Nano chose this for her name because she felt a special love for the poor.

Hopefully, Nano will continue to lead our community toward what she sees as good. Yesterday was the beginning day of our community's meetings in preparation for selecting new leadership for the next four years. Hopefully, it will be the beginning of many special blessings for us. Keep us all in your prayers.

Next Sunday will be the beginning of **Daylight Savings Time**. Most areas of the United States observe Daylight Savings Time in some way. In the United States, we first observed Daylight Savings Time in 1918. This year it starts on the second Sunday of March and ends on the first Sunday in November.

Then in the middle of next week, we will celebrate the feast of St. Patrick. Lots of people celebrate the feast of St. Patrick in various ways – some have parades, and others celebrate by way of games and dances. Even if your area is not particularly Irish, people often find some other way to celebrate and have fun. I remember when I was young, an older sister would often go to dances with friends for the feast of St. Patrick, because that was their parish's name. Our community was founded in Ireland, so the feast of St. Patrick is special to all of the Presentation Sisters. I pray special blessings for all of you this month.

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