

Silver City, N.M., and
the Sisters of St. Joseph
invite you to join them,

† Sharing life in a small,
prayerful community

† Reaching out in service to
the people of Silver City
and Grant County

† Discovering the adventure
and beauty of the High
Desert of Southwestern
New Mexico

for two weeks to two years.

*T*hink of it as a vacation

that refreshes the body,
energizes the spirit
& feeds the soul.

For more information on volunteering
at St. Mary's Spirituality Center, contact:

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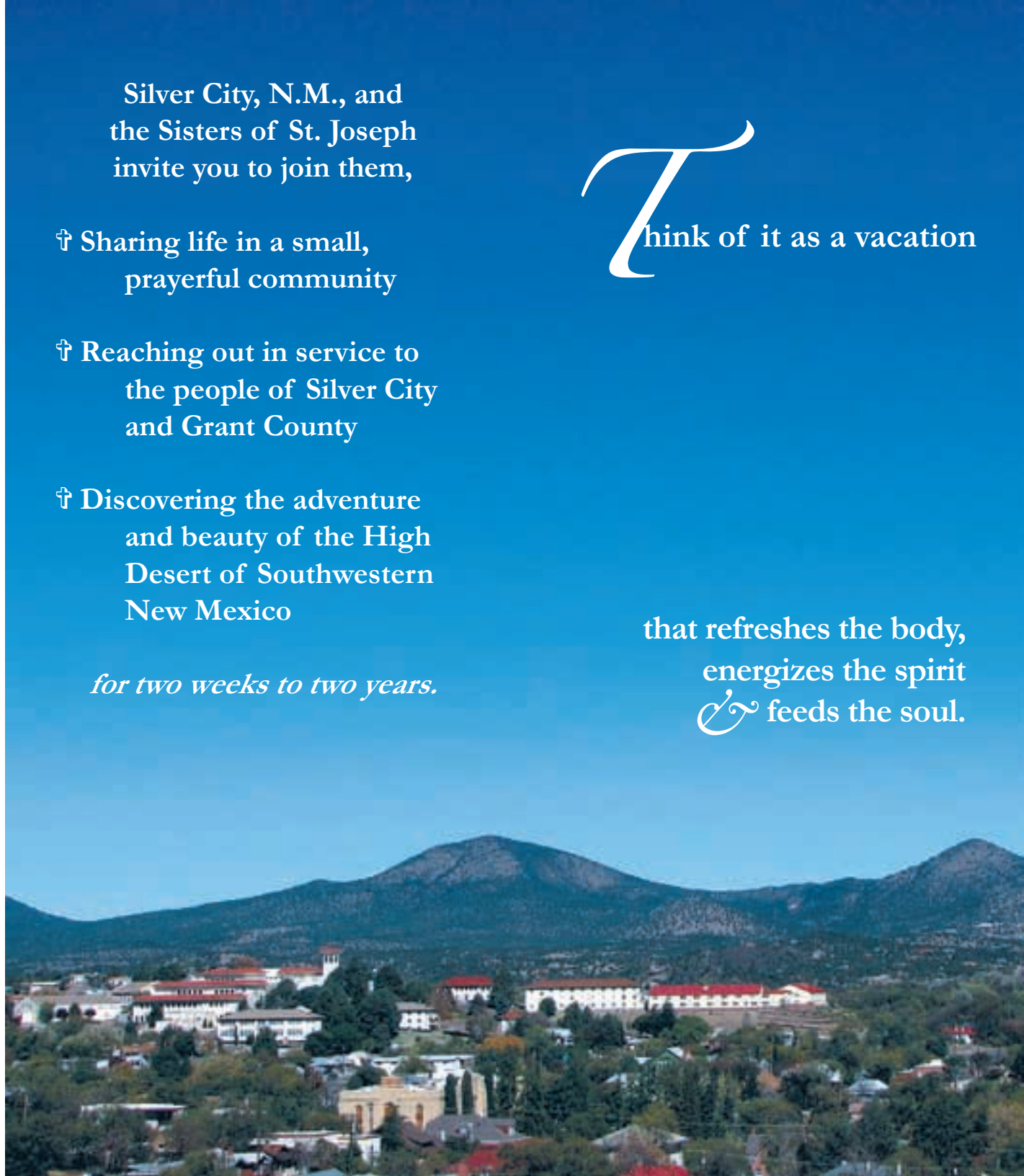
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*Sisters of St. Joseph
of Concordia, Kansas*



... loving God & neighbor without distinction





Cape Cod to Silver City: Seven weeks at St. Mary's

Our stay was ... both physically and spirituality nourishing. We were invited to share life and work stories, giving insight into personal values, interests, concerns and the peoples of New Mexico.

Opportunities for service work included helping at El Refugio, a women's shelter but more broadly an organization positioned to prevent domestic violence.

Being volunteers our work schedule allowed us to arrive around 9 am and leave by 3:30. It was a schedule that didn't overwhelm but allowed us to be really connected to the people we served.

The schedule also gave us time to explore the natural beauty of southwestern New Mexico, and the sisters at St. Mary's encouraged us to experience all their favorite places.

— Frank & Chris Noonan
South Catham, Mass.

You need this in your life... ...and we need you in ours.



SISTER RITA
PLANTE

We invite volunteers of all ages to join us in serving the people of Silver City, N.M.

We work in partnership with numerous local organizations to find the best opportunity for you. Some of the projects and programs that could use your talents include:

- † Community gardens
- † Grant County Food Pantry
- † Single Socks thrift store
- † El Refugio shelter

- † St. Mary's Spirituality Center
- † RSVP
- † Senior centers

If you're handy with a hammer, have a green thumb or just want to combine sweat equity and spiritual growth, Sisters Rita Plante and Rosemary Farrell need you.

And you may find that by giving, you will receive far, far more than you ever expected.



SISTER ROSEMARY
FARRELL

We can accommodate up to three volunteers at a time, for stays of two weeks up to two years. We think of it as becoming part of our community; you may think of it as becoming part of a family.

There is NO CHARGE to volunteers who stay with us, but you are welcome to make a donation to help cover the costs of your stay and to support St. Mary's Spirituality Center and our continuing ministries throughout Silver City and Grant County, N.M.

St. Mary's Spirituality Center is a nonprofit organization and all donations are tax deductible.