

President, Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart

I want to thank The Catholic Review and reporter Chaz Muth for the fine article in the Jan. 31 issue highlighting the history of our Community in St. Martin's Parish in southwest Baltimore. I believe it would be of interest, too, to know that the Mission Helpers returned to the St. Martin's community where our ministry began in 1890 one hundred years later. In the 1990s we initiated the Mary Frances Cunningham Ministries providing linkage with the various services offered through the Bon Secours Community Support Center such as Family Support Center (GED classes, parenting classes, child development), Head Start, Echo House, WIC (Medical and nutritional assistance for Women, Infants and Children) and other Social Services. Our Sr. Fran Gorsuch (now a Bon Secours sister), Sr. Liz Langmead, MHSH and Margaret Brogden gave leadership and direction to the Mary Frances Cunningham Ministries. This ministry provided Sr. Marietta Russell with an introduction to the parish through which she could carry out her sewing ministry.