

## CONTINUED DISCERNMENT

We invite you to learn more about the Oblate Sisters. You can begin by contacting our vocation director either through e-mail and/or telephone at: [trobplate@aol.com](mailto:trobplate@aol.com) or (330) 759-9329.

If you have contacted our vocation director, received our brochures, shared your comments and questions, and still feel a growing attraction to experience our life of prayer, community, and service, then consider spending some days with us.

If after spending some time with us does the Lord continue to tug at your heart? Do you experience a deep peace when you are with the Oblate Sisters? If you have discussed your discernment with either your confessor or spiritual director and feel called to take another step, then we encourage you to arrange to spend an extended visit with us – a period of pre-candidacy. This can last for approximately one to three months (most places of employment will grant a special leave for their employees). During this time you will live, pray, and serve with the community and you will have an opportunity to further explore religious life as an Oblate Sister of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



### THEN WHAT?

Towards the latter part of your extended visit you will have an opportunity to seriously discuss your discernment with the vocation director. If both you and she feel that God might be calling you to be an Oblate Sister then you will return to your home and begin to make preparations for entrance as a candidate.

Some necessary documents for acceptance into Candidacy are:

- Updated Baptismal Confirmation, and Communion certificates
- Letters of recommendation from your parish priest and other Church leaders
- Education transcripts
- Health certificates

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