

Charity never says enough



The Daughters of Saint Anne, a US-registered 501(c) based in Camp Springs, MD, is now in the Lilburn/St. Mtn. area. They have purchased a house that has been converted into a convent so that they may bring more sisters to the area. The two nuns here now, Sr. Tirhas and Sr. Luciana began their journey from Eritrea a country in Eastern Africa. They have made it their mission to work with the Disabled Adult community at SMILE, St. Mary's Independent Living Extensions. They currently run the Day Program and are working towards one day taking over the agency and expanding to include more severe disabilities.

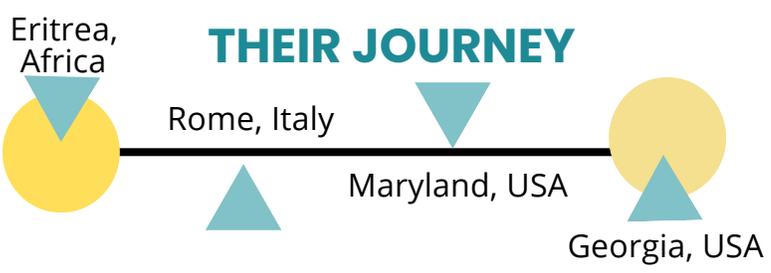


About SMILE

SMILE, St. Mary's Independent Living Extensions is a non-profit agency in Lawrenceville that provides supported living services to Developmentally Disabled adults in our community. SMILE works with individuals, their family members, and other providers to ensure the individuals needs are met.

About DSA

- Founded by Blessed Anna Rosa Gattorno, 1866, Piacenza, Italy.
- Foundation: 8 December 1866 in Piacenza, Italy. Definitive approval of the Institute: 21 April 1879 (Pontifical Institute).
- Beatification of Blessed Anna Rosa Gattorno, on 9 April 2000.
- In 2016, the Congregation celebrated 150 years
- Other key people Co-Founder: Fr Giovanni Battista Tornatore, CM
- At the time of Mother Rosa's death there were 368 communities around the world



Their mission

- Establish their home as a convent
- Raise funding to create a chapel in the home
- Bring additional sisters to the convent
- Continue working with SMILE Day Program
- Take over the SMILE agency

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The Daughters of Saint Anne walk towards holiness, becoming identified with Christ in the mystery of His poverty, serving our brothers and sisters with maternal self-giving like that of Saint Anne, living our consecration in poverty of heart as the small remnant of Israel, and a lifestyle of family spirit in the religious community that mirrors the family atmosphere of Mary Immaculate.

Parishes you may find them:

Kidanemehret Eritrean Ge'ez Rite Catholic Church, Rockbride Rd.
 St. John Neumann (Tom Smith Rd.)
 St. Marguerite d'Youville Church (location of SMILE day program, Gloster Rd.)