

Reflection questions for Chapter 3 of *Building Sisterhood*

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1. Does your experience as an IHM—from formation through to the present—reflect the kind of individuality that Theresa Maxis' "Not Two Exactly Alike" legacy promises? How have you experienced freedom to develop your own spiritual identity or path as an IHM? Has this changed over time? How do you continue to live that out?
2. Margaret Brennan suggests in this essay that two elements have contributed to the IHM spiritual DNA/Identity: Alphonsian/Redemptorist Values and Individualism/Personalism. Toward the end of her essay, Margaret reflects on "a congregational spirituality in the midst of pluralism." Do you agree that exists? If so, how do you see it being lived out? How are we living with this reality today and into the future?