

August 31, 2020

## *Statement in response to the shooting of Jacob Blake*

The Sisters of Saint Joseph are heartsick and weary over yet another police shooting of a black man—Jacob Blake.

We join our voices with others advocating for a fair, transparent, timely and just review of this horrific shooting. We pray for Jacob's recovery, for the well-being of his children and for his family.

We raise up Jacob's mother, Julia Jackson's, plea for peace and unity. During an August 27, 2020 news conference, Julia asked for prayers and for each of us to examine our hearts. "Citizens, police officers, firemen, clergy, politicians: Do Jacob justice on this level and examine your hearts."



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We need healing. As I pray for my son's healing — physically, emotionally, and spiritually — I also have been praying even before this for the healing of our nation. America is great when we behave greatly."

Please join us as we answer Julia's plea for prayers and to examine our hearts.