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**Media Advisory**

# Solar Array, Rain Garden and Sustainable Landscaping Dedication Ceremony

# At The Sisters of St. Joseph’s Brentwood Campus

**WHO: Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood, NextEra Energy Resources, EmPower Solar, The Nature Conservancy, Nelson Pope Voorhis Environmental Planning, Environmental and Community Partners, and Local Government Officials.**

**WHAT:** **Sisters of St. Joseph Solar Array, Rain Garden and Sustainable Landscaping Dedication Ceremony**.

NextEra Energy Resources, LLC, has completed a 1MW solar system on the Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood campus. The system is expected to offset approximately 63 percent of the current campus electricity needs.

The ground-mounted fixed-array system, co-developed and installed by Long Island-based EmPower Solar is located on approximately five acres owned by the Sisters of St. Joseph. In accordance with the Sisters of St. Joseph’s Sustainable Land Ethic Statement, a five-acre parcel designated as degraded woodlands was chosen to host the array and a new rain garden.

**WHEN: Thursday, May 24, 2018 at 12:30 p.m.**

**WHERE: Sisters of St. Joseph Brentwood**

**1725 Brentwood Rd.**

**Brentwood, NY 11717**

# About Sisters of St. Joseph

Located in Brentwood, NY, The Sisters of St. Joseph (CSJ) are the largest order of Catholic women religious on Long Island with more than 400 members, and have a 160-year tradition of ministering wherever they are needed including the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre, and the New York Archdioceses. United with all who minister with them, they seek to bring God’s healing and reconciling love to all through their work in education, health care, social justice, spirituality, empowering women and girls, and environmental conservation.

The motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brentwood includes 212 acres of land, some still pristine, acquired more than 100 years ago within the bioregion of Long Island. The Sisters affirmed a Land Ethic Statement on March 21, 2015 and, in response to the statement, members of the congregation have formed new partnerships on Long Island, gathered information about the Long Island bioregion, implemented new initiatives, and continued current ecological projects. For more information about the Sisters, please visit [www.brentwoodcsj.org](https://nam02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.brentwoodcsj.org&amp;data=02%7C01%7C%7Cf78c9e7d709e45cfd47508d53cefef20%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C636481923557107607&amp;sdata=SW2nHwCq26k%2FyDd4klqMFaToMPBKi8XhBNSY%2FUyft24%3D&amp;reserved=0).