

# ROSARY HILL HOME



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**NEWSLETTER**

January, February, March 2016

Dear Friends of Rosary Hill,

A few years ago Rosary Hill celebrated 75 years of its existence and ministry on American soil. The year 2016 arrived with the joyous reminder of our need to give thanks to God for 80 years of our life as a religious community of prayer and care. For us it is a matter of great significance to include this anniversary in the worldwide celebration of the Year of Divine Mercy. It made us even more jubilant as we keep in mind that our Holy Father chose to begin the Jubilee of Mercy on December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Perhaps you do not know that Our Provincial Motherhouse is dedicated to and carry the title of Dominican Sisters of the Immaculate Conception Province. Therefore, it is not a coincidence for us, but an enormously important similarity, which helps us to perceive our anniversary as a spiritual new beginning and a fresh start toward the future under the life giving rays of Divine Mercy, and the loving protection of Immaculate Mother of Christ. Receiving God's grace of mercy is the best way for us to make a fresh start in our spiritual life and our ministry of care.

We decided to begin the Year of Mercy as a pilgrimage, as a sacred spiritual travel and expect to return at the end of it transformed from the persons we were. We hope and strive to return with life enriching experience that will significantly reshape us and those around us.

We are aware of the simple truth that our role as a small part of the Church is to be instruments of God's love in the world, and as such to bring those who are in the range of our influence to Christ. We need God's mercy always. That's why our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary is not only a cause of the celebration of joyous thanksgiving, but moreover an invitation and a challenge to intensify our spiritual life and improve our ministry to such a level that God's Mercy may become tangible. Therefore, inviting to all we are blessed to know, to work with, and serve. This prompts us to reach out to you, our Dear Friends, and ask for the gift of your prayers and support, to accompany our efforts we make in the Jubilee Year of Divine Mercy and our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

In our planning of events we chose the annual Picnic for the culminating point of our anniversary celebration. The solemn outdoor Mass will be the heart and soul of this highly anticipated gathering of Rosary Hill Friends and the sharing of good food, and entertainment will follow. Please mark Sunday, September 11, 2016 on your calendar as a concluding day of our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

Commending you to God's unmeasurable goodness, and inviting you to the spiritual pilgrimage of the Year of His Mercy,

I remain yours in Christ and His Mother

Sister M. Natalie, OP

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**SAVE THE DATE: APRIL 10th!** Join current and past family members at the **21st Annual Spring Fundraiser Dinner Dance** at the Orland Chateau, as we begin celebrating the 80th anniversary of the founding of Rosary Hill Home! The Spring Fundraiser is the primary event to benefit the residents and keep costs down. The evening includes a family-style dinner, music by Eddie Korosa Jr., a raffle, silent auction, split the pot and door prizes. A cash bar is available. Tickets remain only \$60.00 per person. Kindly consider making a donation to either our silent auction, such as: a vacation condo, tickets to major league or college sporting events, golf, jewelry & sports memorabilia, or to the raffle, such as: electronic devices, TVs, bikes, luggage, Dyson, gift certificates, name brand and top shelf liquors for liquor cart. Other means of support are: ads, memorials and patrons listings, boosters or a cash donation. Order forms enclosed with this mailing. Please do your part to support Rosary Hill Home by attending with your family and friends! If you are the primary contact, let the rest of your family know about this enjoyable and important fundraiser since Newsletters are only sent to you. Your participation can truly make a difference in the daily lives of the residents. Every donation is appreciated, regardless of size.

The Friends of Rosary Hill Committee

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## RESIDENT'S NEWS & EVENTS

December was a very special month at Rosary Hill Home, filled with entertainment. We had Christmas concerts, Christmas Carols and received presents from families, volunteers and churches. We had school children make gifts for all the Residents and they also played the piano and violin. Mr. Slavik played the accordion and sang for us, everyone had a wonderful time. Everyone enjoyed the Christmas Party with Santa and the choir from St. Patricia Church. All the volunteers and choir members joined us for a very tasty meal of pizza and pasta salad. A BIG thank you to all the Sisters for the beautiful Christmas decorations. Rosary Hill Home was decorated like Disney World! Thank you to Sister Natalie and all the Sisters for this Home, it is a beautiful place to live.

Submitted by: Mary Wunder (Resident)

From the desk of our Chaplain

The Jubilee year of God's Mercy. This jubilee year began on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 and will continue to November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Six Churches are designated in our Vicariate V where we can go through their doors and pray for the Pope's intentions and gain a plenary indulgence. You are required to go to confession and be in the state of grace to receive the plenary indulgence. A plenary indulgence means that after your sins are forgiven through a good confession, you receive the remission of punishment due to sins already forgiven. The six Churches designated to receive this plenary indulgence are: Queen of the Universe, St. Rita of Cascia, St. Bede the Venerable, St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Michael and Our Lady Mother of the Church (Cistercians). Father Raymond Jasinski

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Interested in learning more about our Foundress? We are proud to share with you our new book **Beacon of Light**: Mother Kolumba Białecka, Foundress of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Dominic. By the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Dominic.



Books are on sale at Rosary Hill Home for \$10.00. For more information you may call 708-458-3040 or visit our website of the Dominican Sisters, Immaculate Conception Province: www.sistersop.com or you may also visit our Facebook page.

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**Dates to Remember...**

Please join us for **Family Mass** the **second Sunday of every month @ 9:30 a.m.** (refreshments follow). Remember, you can join us any Sunday for Mass.

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**Save the Date...Sunday, April 10, 2016, For our Annual Spring Fundraiser!!!**

**RETREATS FOR THE HUNGER of GOD**  
with Fr. Joseph Vadakkel, M.C.B.S.

<b>FOR YOUTH</b> April 22-24, 2016 TASTE OF GOD	<b>FOR MEN</b> May 6-8, 2016 "Call Me, I'll answer." (Jer 33:2)
<b>FOR RELIGIOUS SISTERS</b> October 14-16, 2016 "Do not be afraid, from now on you will catch men" (Lk 5:28)	<b>FOR LADIES</b> October 28-30, 2016 "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5)

Retreat begins 7:00 pm  
Accommodation: 4:00 pm-6:30 pm  
Retreat cost: 2 nights & 5 meals - \$160.00  
Commuters: \$50.00 without meals  
Reservation cards 8 days prior to the beginning of the retreat  
Contact: Sr. Joachima, OP 708-458-3040  
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DOMINICAN RETREAT CENTER  
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**ADORATION**  
Of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

on the third Saturday of each month

Where:  
Dominican Sisters  
Rosary Hill  
9000 W. 81st St.  
Justice, IL 60458

Please come and spend an hour with JESUS



**WELCOME**

We offer a warm welcome to our new residents:

- Marguerite Altenbach 01-09-2016
- Jeanette Hecht 01-29-2016
- Mary Mayerhofer 01-30-2016
- Elaine Robinson 02-01-2016

*IN OUR PRAYERS*

Let us remember also all that are sick and infirm among us that they may experience Christ's healing power and be restored to health both spiritually and physically.

**OUR SYMPATHY**

"If we have died in Christ, we believe we shall also live in Him."  
Romans 6:8

- +Mary Flannery 12-13-15
- +Alice Collachia 01-02-16

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**



We extend our warmest congratulations and Best Wishes with love and prayers to the following residents of Rosary Hill on the occasion of their respective birthdays.

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| January:  | Genowefa Mularczyk | 90 |
|           | Marita Finley      | 83 |
|           | Dorothy Zelazo     | 85 |
|           | Jean Marek         | 93 |
|           | Dorothy Augustine  | 85 |
|           | Eileen Tallet      | 90 |
| February: | Anna Ferenczak     | 98 |
|           | Bernice Novak      | 82 |
| March:    | Gertrude Greske    | 90 |
|           | Veronica Peterson  | 94 |
|           | Patricia Corcoran  | 93 |
|           | Anne Worobiew      | 92 |
|           | Mary Logsdon       | 93 |