

# ROSARY HILL HOME



Issue 93

NEWSLETTER

April, May, June 2019

Dear Friends of Rosary Hill,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Typically, talking about the weather is something you do with someone when you want to be courteous and yet don't know what else to talk about. However, in light of our warring weather this Spring, it is something we *must* talk about. Emergency weather is just one situation that we here at Rosary Hill Home have been working hard to be prepared for in recent months. All long-term and healthcare facilities are now mandated to create and have in place an "Emergency Preparedness Plan" that includes policies, communication, agreements and contracts, and training in how to respond to the various emergency situations that could befall us. While we hope that we would never actually need to employ the plan, the truth is that we must (as the age old Scouting motto goes) **BE PREPARED** to respond with knowledge, wisdom and action to ensure the continuity of care for each resident in the face of an emergency. While we'd prefer not to ever think about the sad reality of tragic situations such as active shooters, flooding, tornados, fire, power outages, evacuations, etc., the fact is that we at Rosary Hill Home have already begun to think about such situations and how we would respond and have plans and back-ups in place to the best of our ability. We invite you, dear friends and families of Rosary Hill to be a part of this emergency plan, because should there ever be such an emergency situation here, we would appreciate your help, assistance, prayers, support and cooperation to aid us through it.

Pentecost Sunday is the conclusion of a long Easter and feasting season. This special Sunday of the Holy Spirit catapults us back into the green of Ordinary Time, which is a season of silent steady growth (hence, "green") in our spiritual lives. As we prepare ourselves to be ready for various temporal situations we face on earth, let us capitalize on the green of ordinary time to prepare our souls as well, storing up our treasures in Heaven! Thank you for your loving support of Rosary Hill Home, and be assured of our prayers for you!

In the Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
Sr. Maria-Vianney Kysely, O.P.  
Administrative Assistant

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**The 2019 Spring Fundraiser was a huge success!** On behalf of Sister Natalie, the Sisters of Rosary Hill and the Fundraiser Committee, we would like to thank **Everyone** who helped support this event. If you attended, placed an AD, donated a raffle prize or made a donation, your generosity is deeply appreciated. Good food, dancing with the Sisters, games and raffle excitement, made it an enjoyable evening. Due to this successful event, the improvements taking place at Rosary Hill are very noticeable. Take a look around on your next visit.

Save the date for our **25<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fundraiser** taking place on Sunday, **April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

**Thank you for supporting Rosary Hill Home!**

Submitted by: Diane Turek (daughter of resident, Gertrude Greske)



## **The Annual Rosary Hill Appreciation Picnic, Sunday, September 8, 2019 A Fun-Filled Day For All!**

The Committee is asking for donations of raffle prizes for our raffle.

Suggested items: Bicycles, Sporting Event Tickets, Sports Equipment, Electronics, Outdoor Yard Games, Small Trending Appliances, Gift Cards and Cash Donations, would be greatly appreciated! All prizes must be received no later than August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019. God Bless you for your generous support!

Volunteers are always needed for the picnic. If you can spare an hour of your time, please sign up at the front desk or call Rosary Hill Home at 708-458-3040. **Thank You!**

### **Humor Column:**

A nurse, seeing a resident quite anxious, decides to walk with the resident down the entire length of the corridor. When they arrive in the sitting room, the resident sits down and expresses she has pain in her legs. The nurse dutifully responds, "Would you like some pain medication?" The resident retorts, "No...I'll be fine with just a couple of cookies."

Act One:

Sister to Resident: "You look good for 102 and a half!"

Resident: "What?!"

Sister: "I said, you look really good for 102 and half!"

Resident: "Oh really...when did I get so young???"

Act Two:

Sister to Resident: "You look good for 102 and a half!"

Resident: "Who says I'm that old?"

Sister: "Your driver's license!"

And the resident began laughing hysterically.

From the desk of our Chaplain:

The Feast of the Visitation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

It is easy for us to minimize the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We need to understand that the Visitation is not simply an ordinary Feast of Mercy, but rather the great mystery that the Virgin Mary brings Jesus to us. She gave birth to the very Son of God. As she brought Jesus to Elizabeth, her cousin, and brought healing to St. John the Baptist. The Blessed Mother brings Jesus to us through his birth and presence to us in the Holy Eucharist. And so, let us appreciate the deep meaning of this Feast.

Father Raymond Jasinski

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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!

**Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament in our Rosary Hill Home Chapel which is offered the **third Saturday of every month** from 8:00am to 6:00pm.

**SUNDAY, September 8, 2019, ROSARY HILL'S APPRECIATION PICNIC**

**Recent Events**

**APPRECIATION LUNCHEON FOR VOLUNTEERS – Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

After our regular Friday morning bingo, all the volunteers were treated to a delicious lunch of tuna salad with all the trimmings and tasty paczki for dessert. Our Bingo Fridays feature exciting competition, prizes, corny jokes and riddles, that all the residents and volunteers look forward to. I know I sure do! Rosary Hill appreciates all the hard work that ALL our volunteers do!

Submitted by: Mr. Tom Turek (Son-in-law of Resident, Gertrude Greske)

**HOLY WEEK - April 18-21st**

- On Good Friday all the Residents colored Easter eggs, a long time tradition at Rosary Hill Home. Holy Saturday the residents, friends and families participated in the Blessing of their baskets with a special visit from the Easter Bunny. Everyone received an Easter Basket filled with chocolates, prepared by the Activity Department. Easter Vigil Mass was held on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. followed by Easter morning Mass on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

**MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION**

The Ladies of Rosary Hill Home were honored and entertained on Mother's Day. The date for the event was on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019, a week prior to the National Holiday date, so as to allow the volunteers and various family members the ability to celebrate with their respective families. The Sisters and volunteers presented delightful entertainment. Rosary Hill's "Singing Nuns," to wit: Sister Maria Vianney and Sister Charbel, kept the residents singing along with their various old-time songs. John "O" added to the program with his accordion. A special treat was delivered by Janet Pawlicki, puppeteer, with the presentation of her "Mother Goose" puppet. Three large tables of food were provided by the families and volunteers which included among other items, homemade cookies, sandwiches, meatballs, various desserts, and White Castle hamburgers. This wonderful and special event was organized and directed by the Activity Director, Sophie. A fun time was had by all, including the Sisters, volunteers and family members.

Submitted by: Mr. William O'Toole (husband of Resident, Gail O'Toole)

**WELCOME**

We offer a warm welcome to our new residents:

- Gail O'Toole**      **03-15-19**
- Jacqueline Loftus**      **05-13-19**
- Mildred Garrett**      **06-01-19**

**IN OUR PRAYERS**

Let us remember also all who 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

- +Joan McTeague**      **05-19-19**
- +Elaine Robinson**      **05-29-19**

**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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| April: | Mary Laczkowski   | 87 |
|        | Therese Langan    | 90 |
|        | Jean Wesolowski   | 85 |
| May:   | Loretta Dolan     | 96 |
|        | Janet Wilders     | 93 |
|        | Adrienne Noga     | 73 |
| June:  | Marilyn Roventini | 85 |
|        | Gail O'Toole      | 84 |
|        | Julia Figura      | 96 |
|        | Helen Gawel       | 95 |
|        | Maria Sadelska    | 85 |
|        | Noreen Oosterbaan | 90 |

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