



Time and Life

Christmas Greetings

Dear Friends,

It has been said that, "Only with our hearts can we feel the miracle of God's great love at Christmas." Our hearts here at Holy Family Residence are filled with gratitude this season as we await the Birth of Christ and reflect on all that He has done for us.

We have had a very blessed but busy year in our Home. Thanks to our generous benefactors, we were able to purchase new specialty bath tubs for the nursing units with proceeds from the April Rock-A-Thon. The funds from the St. Jeanne Jugan Golf Classic helped to defray the costs of equipment and other upgrades to the service area in the main dining room. Just recently, we completed important renovations in our beautiful Chapel. Enhancements have made the Sanctuary more accessible to our elderly Priests, Residents and Little Sisters. Visual and auditory improvements were also included. The rededication of the Chapel in honor of Archbishop Emeritus Harry J. Flynn's 50th Jubilee of Priestly Ordination will take place after the first of the year. This project, in part, was made possible through the generous support of our benefactors and the St. Jeanne Jugan Gala Dinner honoring Archbishop Flynn with the Saint Jeanne Jugan Award.

The Little Sisters of the Poor worldwide are grateful and delighted for the new vocations in our Order. We presently have nine Novices in our Novitiate in Queens, NY and five Postulants who have just begun their formation in religious life in our Home in Washington, DC. Please continue to pray for them as well as for new vocations.

This joyful season of Christmas renews our belief that Jesus, the Son of God, is unconditional love and our source of hope and peace. This realization affirms to us the goodness of God and of you, our friends, who support us in our mission of hospitality and humble service to the elderly.

May the love of God embrace you, His light enclose you, His peace encourage you and His presence enrich you. Be assured that you and your loved ones are remembered daily in the grateful prayers of the Little Sisters and Residents.

Merry Christmas,

Mother Theresa

Mother Theresa and
all the Little Sisters of the Poor



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St. Jeanne Jugan Gala Dinner

What a grand event it was on October 19th at the Crowne Plaza Saint Paul Riverfront Hotel! With nearly 500 friends and benefactors in attendance, we were privileged to honor Archbishop Emeritus Harry J. Flynn, who celebrated 50 years in the priesthood, with the “St. Jeanne Jugan Award” for his dedication and devotion to the Little Sisters, not only in the St. Paul/Minneapolis Archdiocese but nationally as well.

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Guests gathered for a social hour and enjoyed the opportunity to visit with family and friends and to bid on a variety of silent auction items. Guest Emcee, Frank Vascellaro, introduced



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Archbishop John Nienstedt, Honorary Chair, who offered beautiful remarks about St. Jeanne Jugan, her work and mission, and the history of the Order around the world and in the Twin Cities community. Power Point presentations highlighted the work and mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor and Archbishop Flynn. Following dinner, Mother Theresa Gertrude presented the “St. Jeanne Jugan Award” to Archbishop Emeritus Harry J. Flynn, in recognition of his support and dedication to the Little Sisters. Archbishop

Flynn’s kind words were outdone only by his graciousness and Irish humor. The “Singing Little Sisters” shared a special rendition of “We’re Just Wild about Harry.” The evening concluded with a live auction, Fund the Need appeal and closing comments by Rita Reif, Gala Chair.

Proceeds from the Gala helped defray the cost of the Chapel Renovation Project. For some time the Little Sisters have hoped to make safety improvements to their chapel. A one-step platform with a ramp has replaced the former three steps in the newly renovated sanctuary, allowing easy access for the Priests, Residents and Little Sisters. Enhanced soundproofing enables our Residents to participate more fully in the Mass and to have a quiet and peaceful place for prayer. Improved lighting makes it easier for the Residents to see their worship aids and prayer books. New seat and back cushions added to the refurbished pews provide greater comfort for our frail elderly.



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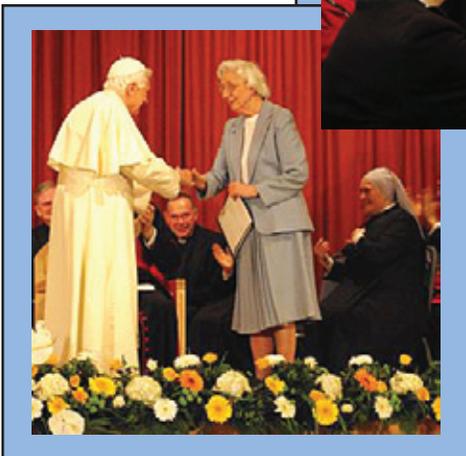
"If God is with us, it will be accomplished."

Saint Jeanne Jugan



We are most grateful to Archbishop John Nienstedt and Archbishop Emeritus Harry J. Flynn for their presence and support of this project. We also wish to extend a heartfelt “thank you” to our Gala committee members, staff and volunteers who gave so generously of their time and talents. Thank you, too, to our benefactors who donated the special items for our auctions. We sincerely appreciate you and your support of the Little Sisters of the Poor and for helping to fund our Chapel Renovation Project. In the words of St. Jeanne Jugan, “Jesus is waiting for you in the Chapel. Go and find Him when your strength and patience are giving out, when you feel lonely and helpless.” The Chapel at Holy Family Residence is a beautiful, extraordinary place representing the very core of life at our Home. Again, we echo our Foundress in always saying, “Blessed be God. Thank you, my God. Glory be to God.”

An Unbelievable, Unforgettable, Undeniably Happy Day!



The Little Sisters of the Poor around the world were very blessed when Pope Benedict XVI visited St. Peter’s Residence, our Home in Vauxhall, London in September. He spoke movingly about his own experience of aging. “I come among you not only as a father, but also as a brother who knows well the joys and the struggles that come with age.” He emphasized the utmost importance of “a proper respect for the dignity and worth, the health and well-being of the elderly.” It was our Foundress, St. Jeanne Jugan, who responded to that call many years ago. It is our privilege today as Little Sisters of the Poor to lovingly continue her work.



St. Jeanne Jugan Golf Classic



“As Little Sisters of the Poor we care for the needy elderly in the spirit of humble service that we have received from St. Jeanne Jugan. We welcome the elderly as we would Jesus Christ himself and serve them with love and respect until death.”

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What an ideal day for golf! Thanks to the faithful prayers of the Little Sisters at Holy Family Residence, God provided perfect weather for the annual St. Jeanne Jugan Golf Classic. Over 100 golfers eagerly participated in the fundraiser at Indian Hills Golf Club in Stillwater. As golfers checked in for the day, they had the chance to enter several drawings; the highlight was a one-year membership to Indian Hills Golf Club for the 2011 season. Out on the course several events kept contestants on their toes. One of the “Hole-in-One” contests enticed golfers with a chance to win a Mercedes C Class, courtesy of Maplewood Imports. Unfortunately no one ‘hit’ the “Million-Dollar Shot,” but this popular challenge will be back next year. The Sisters showed great improvement in the putting challenge - there were rumors that some practice had taken place in the halls of Holy Family Residence! The affair concluded with a delicious dinner and awards ceremony. Many thanks to the organizers and sponsors who gave generously of their time and resources to make this such a wonderful day. We wish to extend a very special “thank you” to our Presenting Sponsor, J & J Distributing.

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