



Little Sisters of the Poor

Jeanne Jugan Residence

Fall 2020

From our Home to yours – Happy Thanksgiving



We are so THANKFUL for you this Thanksgiving season!

The Thanksgiving season always has us thinking about the many things in our lives we are grateful for and finding new ways to express that gratitude. This year, we are incredibly grateful for a community of remarkable people, organizations, community groups, small businesses, corporations, and Residents' families all who have given so selflessly to support our Home, front-line health care workers, and our Residents with donations of meals, snacks, personal protective equipment, hand-sewn



masks, monetary gifts, and more. We are grateful for our dedicated staff and Little Sisters who have been working tirelessly day and night to make sure that our Residents remain safe and healthy. We are grateful for our beautiful Home and the ability to allow our Residents to walk around this beautiful location immersed in nature. Most importantly, we are grateful for you! YOU are our heroes and we Thank You for helping us meet the challenges of the times, so we can continue to provide the highest order of care with inclusion, integrity, compassion, accountability, respect, and excellence to our Residents. So, from our Home to yours Happy Thanksgiving!

Order of Malta Mobile Ministries Supports Little Sisters of the Poor

In June, we were very blessed to have the two visits from our dear friends from the Order of Malta Mobile Ministries. Local members of the Order and their families made over 80 cloth, reusable face masks and care packages for our amazing staff, The Little Sisters of the Poor and caregivers at our Home. Each care package had a special message of appreciation in them. The masks included twenty with a red, white and blue design so the Sisters could wear them to celebrate the 4th of July.

Knights, Dames, Auxiliary Members, and volunteers were met by dozens of the caregivers and many Residents who were standing on their balconies with "Thank You" signs waving.



Mobile Ministries van arriving with care packages

One of the members stated, "It was truly humbling that they were so

appreciative considering they are the ones who sacrifice so much by taking care of their Residents. The Western Association is just lucky to be able to recognize their tremendous efforts and sacrifice! "



The Order of Malta, through its Auxiliary and regular membership provided over 16,000 hours of volunteer service last year to the Jeanne Jugan Residence. This is a very important charity that the Order of Malta Western Association supports in Los Angeles.

The Little Sisters of the Poor and staff are extremely grateful for their thoughtfulness and support during these difficult times.



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As we continue to deal with the Coronavirus pandemic, we wanted to keep you informed as to what we are doing at Jeanne Jugan Residence in San Pedro to protect and care for our dear Residents.

The health and well-being of our Residents and Staff is our number one priority. As we have now received direction from the California Department of Health regarding the continuation of mandatory COVID-19 testing at our Home, we will continue the weekly testing of our Residents in the Skilled Nursing Unit, Little Sisters and staff for the foreseeable future.

We are grateful for the continued in-kind donations of personal protective equipment (PPE) and disinfectant supplies needed to keep our Home safe.

Our Residents continue to practice “social distancing”, wearing masks around the Home, receiving meals in their rooms. We have increased the number of “escorted outside strolls” for our Residents in the skilled nursing floor to get them outside into the fresh air and sunshine. The Activities Assistant on the skilled nursing floor goes to each individual room and does arts & crafts with the Residents, Facetimes with the families, and does one on one exercises with them. Our Residents on the 1st, 3rd and Apartments walk around our beautiful grounds enjoying the beautiful flowers and ocean views. Thank God, in the midst of a pandemic we have beautiful grounds here in San Pedro for them to walk and remain active all while social distancing. The Activities department has created a way for them to play social distanced bingo, listening to music in the common area six feet apart and even dancing once in a while. Our Residents have also been very creative by doing individual art projects to keep themselves busy. We started family visits on September 1, where our Residents are inside the Home, while their family members are outside in our little private courtyard; separated by two plexiglass shields. Our Residents and families have truly enjoyed these short thirty-minute visits, even if they have to keep their mask and gloves on during the entire visit. The Residents have enjoyed meeting their new Grandchildren, Great Grand Children for the first time, the gifts and goodies that their families bring them, but most importantly it's being able to visit with their loved ones that is most important.

We're thankful for our dedicated staff, the Residents and the Residents families for following the guideline and for trying very hard to keep themselves and our Home well and safe from COVID.

Our trust in God's Providence and Protection has never wavered. We continue to pray for the safety and good health of all of you and ask that a cure for this virus may be found quickly.

Thank you all for your continued prayers and support. These are trying times, but together, we will get through this difficulty because we are not only partners in a Mission, but one family with God.



MOTHER'S MESSAGE

As I write my message for this newsletter, I want to give you a quick update on the withdraw of the Little Sisters of the Poor and the sale of our Home in San Pedro. The sale as well as the transfer and/or moving of any Little Sisters have been placed on hold due to the COVID crisis. As of right now it is business as usual. Our focus is on our Residents, Staff and the Little Sisters to keep everyone safe and well through this pandemic and now flu season. We need your help more than ever as the cost of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), weekly testing of Residents, staff and Little Sisters has all increased our general operating budget.



As busy as we are, it is easy to forget that the whole reason we do these obligatory tasks is so that we may continue to follow in the footsteps of St. Jeanne Jugan caring for our elderly poor to the best of our ability with the assistance of many of those around us. We want to take the time to slow down and appreciate the people surrounding us. We can't help but notice and appreciate our wonderful Benefactors, our Advisory Board Members, our Ladies Auxiliary, Our Associates of Jeanne Jugan, our Volunteers, our friends, our families, staff, and our Residents who lift us up, give us hope, and inspire us every day!

Thanksgiving is one of those days.

When I take time to pause and think about it, I'm overwhelmed by the things that make me grateful. Like many of you, I am fortunate enough to love my work. Every day I am surrounded by Little Sisters who are dedicated individuals working to make this world a better place...one Resident at a time. I'm grateful for our staff and for their work that drives us. We're constantly exploring new ways to support our mission, so that together we can enhance our services to our Residents. That you trust us to be part of the journey with you is humbling.

On this day of giving thanks, and all the days in between, we at Little Sisters of the Poor are extremely grateful to you our Benefactors who every year find a way to express their gratitude to us. On Thanksgiving Day, we are happy to reach out to you with our expression of love and appreciation.

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Mother Marguerite

Adopt a Resident for the Holidays

This year our adopt a Resident for the Holidays will be a little different due to COVID. Unfortunately, we are not able to let anyone into the building. We will have the Angel tags available with the Residents first name and last initial, room number, floor and 1 wish item.

If you are interested in adopting a Resident(s) and making their Christmas extra special please contact the Development Department at (310) 548-0625. When you call please let the Development Department know the number of Residents you would like to adopt.

You will have three options:

- 1) You may write down the name, room number and items and create your own gift label
- 2) We could mail the gift label(s) to you
- 3) We could place the gift label(s) in an envelope and leave them at the reception desk for you to pick up.

We ask that you drop off your gifts to the front door receptionist by Tuesday, December 22, 2020.

We thank you in advance for making a difference in the lives of our Residents!



CAN YOU HELP?

We are in need of the following supplies:

Hand Sanitizer
Disinfectant Wipes
Non-Latex Gloves: S, M, L
Face Masks

We ask you to please call (310) 548-0625 and bring all items to the front door. We would very much like to send you a thank you note so PLEASE make sure to put your name, address and phone number on your delivery. We are so grateful for everything!!!!



CAN YOU HELP?

Turkey & Ham Drop



Would you consider contributing a turkey or ham during the holiday season? Donations may be dropped off from now until November 24, at the kitchen drop off area between 8:30am – 4:00pm

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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Join us by saving a stamp and donating online!!

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Share your email with us
By clicking on "Register Here"

Make a quick donation by visiting our WeShare page

Development Update

Your privacy is important to us, and the information you share with us remains in our office. The Little Sisters of the Poor have a policy to never sell, rent or give your private information to anyone. Thank you for sharing your lives with us as we count on your generosity. Without your collaboration, we could never continue our mission to the needy elderly.

In addition to regular mail, you can always help us by visiting our website to donate online, to give a gift in remembrance of a deceased loved one, or to honor someone on a special occasion. Matching gifts by employers, United Way certainly extend your help, and remembering the needs of the Home when planning your annual gift giving and estate planning enables us to do more of what we are here to do.