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Sr. Dora with Residents Madeline and Alberta



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## ST. PAUL'S HOME



## Highlights of the Year 2016

### A Look Back through the Year

Another year is coming to a close and instead of wondering where the year has gone, we are reminiscing on the good times we had in 2016!

This year brought a long awaited and planned renovation project to our Home. The bathing rooms were in need of renovations and we were able to turn them into Bathing Suites for our Residents on all three nursing floors. The project was a huge undertaking that we were only able to accomplish with the support of our staff, volunteers, maintenance department, and especially you, our donors. Thank you for helping us make life a little easier for our Residents. To see progress and updates visit our website.

We said goodbye to Sr. Rosario this year and

greeted Sr. Dora with open arms. She came to our Home from Kansas City and has been a Little Sister for 43 years. In addition to these bigger event highlights, we asked a few Residents about their favorite part of the year:

“The Family Picnic was great! It was the first one I have ever been to and I just loved it! Most of my kids were able to come as well as their children. The food was good.” ~ Mary Elizabeth Thomas

“Putz’s Creamy Whip! I love going there. I used to take my children when they were small and they are in their 40s now. I love to get chocolate vanilla swirl ice cream in a waffle cone. It is a nice family tradition that I can still enjoy.” ~ L’Jean Cummins.

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Christmas Boutique\***  
November 11 & 12, 2016

**#Giving Tuesday\***  
November 29, 2016

**Rock-A-Thon**  
February 25, 2017

**Legacy Dinner**  
April 6, 2017

**Spaghetti Supper**  
June 24, 2017

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[littlesistersofthepoorcincinnati.org](http://littlesistersofthepoorcincinnati.org)



Resident Mary Elizabeth and volunteer Nancy at the Easter hat parade.



Residents Mary Ann, Ruth, Mary, Janet, and Grace in the Talent Show 2016.

# LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

## Commitment to Love and Care

### Department Highlight: Housekeeping Staff

When you walk into St. Paul's Home, you will notice three things: a friendly staff, absolutely spotless floors and fresh, clean air. Due to the quiet and tireless efforts of the Housekeeping Department, led by eleven-year employee, Tony Bell, Residents live in an exceptional Home. "I love my team. They



**From top left: James, Vicki, Jay, Janelle, Edwin, Tony, Venita, Michelle, and Janis.**

have a commitment to make this building shine as if it were their own home," said Tony.

The team consists of brand new members as well as veterans like Jay who has been with the Home for more than 30 years. No matter the length of employment, each person exemplifies the mission of the Little Sisters through their work and relationships with the Residents. "I enjoy taking care of my Residents' rooms," says Janis the housekeeper for the third floor. You will not find another housekeeping staff more devoted to the care of the Residents.

"They're kind, efficient, and especially nice to me," says Resident Alberta Duwell. "I haven't seen anything I didn't like," mentions Resident Hedy Jansen. "All I can say is they are wonderful," Resident Loretta Bacon said. These are the kinds of things you will continue to hear from the Residents of the Home.



Staff and Residents have a special bond at St. Paul's Home. Together we are a family, staff, Residents, Sisters, and volunteers included. A huge THANK YOU to the housekeeping team is required for their continued efforts to make St. Paul's a sparkling Home.

## Welcome New Advisory Board Members



Drew McLandrich is principal, McLandrich Consulting, which provides business consultation, strategic planning and marketing communications that increase sales, strengthens brands, and help clients take better care of their customers. He has been in the marketing business for over 35 years. We welcome Drew to our advisory board and value his field of expertise.

Tracy Schwetschenau is an attorney at Faulner & Tepe, LLP. She specializes in Government/Public entity liability, products liability, commercial and construction litigation and insurance defense. She has 14 years in local government and political consulting and we are honored to have her advice in these areas.



Anna Mitchell is the Producer and News Director at Sacred Heart Catholic Radio. An Ohio University graduate in journalism and history, Anna has great experience in the world of reporting. She has covered the controversial commencement at Notre Dame that honored President Barack Obama, the 2010 Pallium Mass in Rome, and the first ever National Theology of the Body Congress.

Our Advisory Board is utilized for their expertise as well as their community reach. It is important for us to continue to build on our existing relationships as well as building new ones. We are honored to have such knowledgeable people who help us throughout the year.

## Blessings Bestowed on LSP Two Prestigious Awards Received

This year has been extraordinary for the Little Sisters of the Poor as the Sisters continued their journey to stand for religious freedom. As a congregation they were awarded the 2016 Notre Dame Evangelium Vitae Medal and the Gaudium et Spes Award from the Knights of Columbus for their unwavering defense of the mandate.

In April Mother Provincial Loraine Marie Clare received Notre Dame University's Center for Ethics and Culture Evangelium Vitae Award. The award goes to those who are considered heroes in the pro-life movement to defend the "sanctity of human life from its earliest stages." The University of Notre Dame President, Rev. John I. Jenkins, said, "We are delighted to award this medal to the Little Sisters of the Poor to honor them for their inspiring efforts to build a Culture of Life, where every member of the human family is welcomed and embraced."

In August, the Little Sisters of the Poor were chosen as the 12th recipient of the

Gaudium et Spes Award. The prestigious award was given to the Little Sisters for their "witness to the Gospel in caring for the elderly poor, and for standing up in recent years for religious liberty against a U.S. government mandate that would require them to violate their consciences." Mother Loraine Marie Clare accepted the award with grace and humility, two traits that are consistently seen throughout the Little Sisters' organization. The Little Sisters are the first group to receive this honor, rather than an individual.

To say the Little Sisters of the Poor have been blessed this year is an understatement. The support given to the Little Sisters of the Poor during this journey has been wonderful. Even through the fight for religious freedom, caring for and loving the elderly poor will always be at the heart of our work.

Find more information under the "Events" tab on the main Little Sisters website: [littlesistersofthepoor.org](http://littlesistersofthepoor.org).



*Mother Loraine with Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson and Supreme Chaplain Archbishop William Lori*

## Becoming Residents

BY: RUTH SCHNURR



*Ruth and her husband Eugene.*

My husband, Eugene, and I have been Residents of St. Paul's Home for almost two years now. We are very grateful to be here among the good Sisters, staff, and many of our friends. Our friends from Holy Family Church, Mary Ann and Leland Schneider, had moved into the Home years ago. Both Eugene and I were inspired and hoped that one day we would become Residents of the Home too.

I grew up on the East side of Cincinnati but moved to the West side in an area called Price Hill after I married Gene. After our children got older it became apparent that I needed to get a part-time job, so I applied at a Cincinnati classic, Skyline Chili. It was a short distance from our Home and the hours were perfect for me.

My job at Skyline began in April of 1962 and I worked there until December of 2014, two weeks before I moved into St. Paul's Home. My hours fluctuated in this time period. I had been blessed to get a job at Hathaway Stamp Co. with my husband Gene. The owners at the time, Jim & Rob Ruwe, were great employers, but I never left Skyline. I have been blessed to share my new Little Sisters family with my Skyline family!



*Mother Loraine with Ryan Madison, Associate Director and O. Cartner Snead, Director of the Center for Ethics and Culture.*

## A Simple Note

Mother Francis Gabriel



Dear friends,

God's provident love continues to manifest itself in our daily lives here at Archbishop Leibold Home. So do my prayers for all of our friends and benefactors for their generosity and assistance in helping us to care for God's elderly in need. We feel your support and love through your generosity daily and I just want to take the time to say THANK YOU. I know we say this often but we truly could not do this without all of you.

This year was declared the "Year of Mercy" by Pope Francis. The closing of this year of Mercy is November 20th, but we believe that mercy is a trait that should be exemplified throughout all of our days. Thank you for walking with us in love and mercy as we continue to care for those most in need.

We are excited that the bathing house project is soon nearing completion. The completion of this project is another sign of God's loving kindness to us...we could not do it without you. The finishing touches will soon be complete, and our residents will be again enjoying their bathing experience in privacy and dignity.

As we approach the coming days of Autumn and Thanksgiving, we continue to remember each of you in our grateful prayer. It doesn't take much to open one's eyes and see the abundance of his kindness to us – not only in material and financial support, but your friendship and daily support. We hope our prayer for you sustains you in your need, as well.

*Sr Francis Gabriel, LSP*

Mother Francis Gabriel, LSP

## Our Needs

### Corporate Matching Opportunities

Did you know you can double and sometimes triple the amount of money you donate? All you have to do is inform your employer of your donation and most will "match" your gift. The best way to find out if your company is eligible is to talk to your HR department. Many companies will match up to \$500 a year! See below for a sample of companies we know will match your gift:



*Richard pictured with his granddaughter Miranda, Sr. Mary Imelda, and Sr. George.*

- Messer Construction Company
- ITW: Illinois Tool Works
- UBS
- General Electric
- Duke Energy
- US Bank

## Donor Spotlight

Every year we are blessed to receive an entire steer from donor, Richard Clarke of Liberty Township. We want to take the time to recognize him for his generosity. Because of his contribution we are able to provide Residents exemplary meals for the year!

## Reminders

### St. Jeanne Jugan Legacy Society

If a donor gives \$500 or more total for the year 2016 he/she will be considered a St. Joseph Patron of the Society for 2016. In order to continue in that category, donors would need to continue to donate \$500 or more each year.

### Your Dream – Your Gift – Your LSP Legacy

Planned Giving maximizes the impact of your gift and the financial benefit to you and your family.

- A **Bequest** in your will is a simple way to leave a lasting legacy. "I give, devise & bequeath an unrestricted, unconditional gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_% of my estate to the Little Sisters of the Poor-Cincinnati DBA St. Paul's, Archbishop Leibold Home, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization." **Please contact us for suggested language for other types of bequests including e.g. securities.**
- A **Life Insurance Policy** can be changed to designate the Little Sisters of the Poor as the owner and/or beneficiary of a policy.
- **Retirement Fund Account** - Distributions from your account can be gifted to the Little Sisters during your lifetime or as part of your estate plan.
- A **Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT)** allows a lifetime income for you or other beneficiaries and allows you to designate the remainder to Little Sisters. This strategy offers you partial tax deductions and can limit capital gains tax.

**For a free Planned Giving Packet, contact Karen Amend, Development Director at [devcincinnati@littlesistersofthepoor.org](mailto:devcincinnati@littlesistersofthepoor.org) or (513) 281-8001 Ext. 180.**