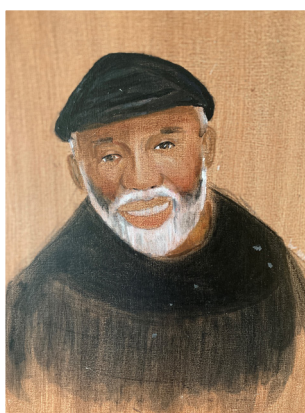
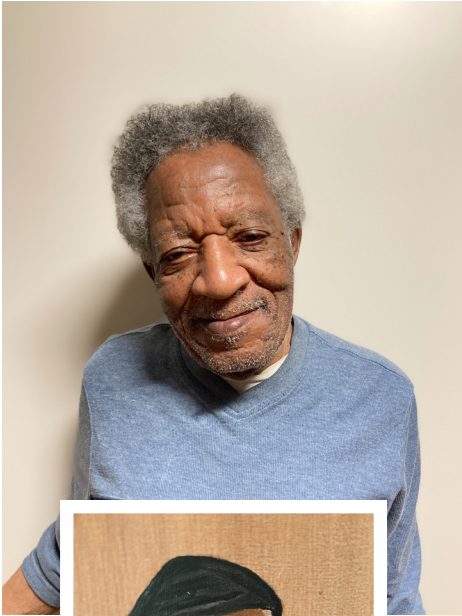




Life and Love by Joanne

*Like the tender wings of
the butterfly, Life is so very
fragile*

*Delicately we treat one
another with heartfelt
compassion*

*Touching one another's lives
so gently that our souls are
fulfilled with God's grace*



Newark has talent!

We are so blessed to have Residents who are talented in the arts. We'd like to share their stories with you!

Norman is a wonderful artist who specializes in studio and commercial art. Norman began his love of art as a child when he always enjoyed drawing. During this time, he started to draw people. He learned about Norman Rockwell, and he became an idol of his. Over the years he has developed a wonderful talent for sketching portraits. He has begun to do some portraits of the Residents since he has been here.

Julie is known for her fun-loving disposition, but she also has tremendous skills with her hands. She is a master when it comes to crocheting and has made many beautiful

blankets for Residents, family members and for raffle prizes. She is also known for making many potholders which we are able to sell each year at the Nun Run. Julie also loves to be in the garden where she harvests vegetables that she shares with the residents.

Joanne is a new Resident who had a long successful career as a special education teacher with a wonderful talent for writing poetry. When she first arrived at the Home she had a hard time adjusting, but in visiting the chapel God inspired her to write poetry. She has written about St. Francis and the different statues on the property. Writing has given her a lot of comfort and peace, and she has enjoyed sharing her poems with others.



Fun & games

During the cold winter months, visitors “warmed our hearts.” The Columbiettes came with donations and Valentine’s gifts. Resident Barbara Valentino’s son James Hartnett sent “Lasagna With Love” to all the Residents for dinner one day.

Blankets arrived for every Resident to “warm their hearts” from the Sisterhood of the Blessed Mother. We also celebrated the “Luck of the Irish” with our Raffle Drawing and our wonderful St. Patrick’s Day Party and Mardi Gras.

Save the Dates

20th Nun Run and Fall Festival
Saturday, October 17

Cooks for a Cause
Sunday, November 1

Please visit our website for more event details.



A Heavenly Partnership

Sister Janet and Father Gebhart put their heads and hearts together with Erin Short, the Campus Minister and Director of Catechesis at The Newman Center at University of Delaware, to come up with a way to unite young people with our Residents. Sister Janet wanted to bring “the art of accompaniment” of Little Sisters of the Poor of being a “presence to Residents.”

Together they worked to develop a program. They approached Katherine Hunt, who is the student leader, and asked if she would be interested in working with them

to invite students to participate. On a zoom call everyone shared ideas and came up with a wonderful plan that included three aspects: social engagement, service and activities. For the last three semesters students have been coming to visit. Sometimes they play games with Residents. Other times they engage in activities such as making corsages for Valentines Day, sanitizing chairs or organizing cabinets. They also take time for conversation. These times have proven to be fun, enjoyable and have made meaningful connections for both the students and the Residents.



Pope Leo Visits the Little Sisters

Pope Leo XIV showed his closeness to the elderly and marginalized in modern societies by visiting Little Sisters of the Poor in Istanbul last November. During his visit he shared the “secret of charity” and emphasized the importance of living in communion with those we serve. He met with Residents and staff and benefactors and reflected on the Congregation’s name which mirrors the life of Christ himself. In April he visited our Home in Annaba, Algeria, which is located beside the Basilica of St. Augustine, bringing a message of hope to our Little Sisters and Residents.



Building for the Future

In Spring of 2026 we embark on the next phase of our renovations. This construction will improve the Holy Family and the St. Joseph Units in the Home.

Saint Jeanne Jugan tells us: “It is so good to be poor, to have nothing, to depend on God for everything. If God is with us, it will be accomplished ... God will help us; the work is his. All for him, do everything through love. Give us the house – if God fills it, God will not abandon it! We must always say: ‘Blessed be God. God has blessed me because I have always greatly thanked his Providence.’”

Because we believe this, we are praying, as she did, that God will provide what we need to make this major renovation a reality. Right now, we are looking at a bottom line of \$6.5 million, which we need to raise. So far we have raised \$1 million. We have always been able to rely on our

benefactors as we did with the first phase of this project and every project before. This final phase will ensure the future for the Jeanne Jugan Residence for over 65 elderly poor to live in dignity and be cared for with love. Won't you consider helping us build this future together?

Levels of Giving

Saint: \$10,000

Angel: \$5,000

Disciple: \$1,000

All donations are welcome

or visit www.littlesistersofthepoor.org





Fun in the Sun

On June 11, we gathered for the Swing Fore Little Sisters Golf Outing. Although it was a very hot day that did not stop the 84 enthusiastic golfers from doing their best to make the day a success!

Before lunch, the Little Sisters were working hard to sell 50/50 raffle tickets and we all shared a great lunch out on the patio. We had Residents Paul and Cindy come

and volunteer with us for the day and talk to the golfers who enjoyed their company. Eleanor and Grace were great volunteers who made the "Putting Contest" so much fun! Youth volunteers Logan and Ben were a huge help! We cannot thank Sister Jane and the "Lovely Ladies" for all of their hard work to ensure the event and the basket raffle and silent auction were a success. All led by our

leader, Chick Mealy, who does so much to make the event a success.

This year, we took a minute to thank Steve and Lisa Hyde for their continued and ongoing support of the golf tournament year after year as a Platinum Sponsor. Finally, none of what we do with this event would be possible without the support of our other major sponsors, who we are so very grateful for!



MOTHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

Alleluia! Summertime is here! It's been a rough road since the month of January with all our snowstorms and gray and rainy days. The Residents and Sisters are happy to see the flowers blooming around our Home.



We enjoyed the lovely feast of St. Patrick and St. Joseph this past March. Bishop Malooly joined us for our special Mass on March 19th and the blessing of our St. Joseph's table, which was decorated in such glowing splendor thanks to Eileen Fox, our devoted employee for 34 years. The Sisters were busy making Irish soda bread and scones for these special days. Our international community of 14 Sisters share their joy in caring for the elderly of our Home.

We are grateful for our vocation of service in the Church. We are grateful for all those who shared in our "Pot of Gold" raffle and the Lenten Journey which helps us to support our Home. We really depend on you to keep our Home running. We will soon begin our next phase of construction, which will include 18 new private rooms for the Residents and elderly Sisters. A new Dining Room will also be added to each area.

Please continue to pray for peace which is so needed in our world today. I also wish to assure all of you of our prayers for a safe and healthy summer in the months ahead.

Gratefully in Jesus and Mary,
Mother Mary Michael



ST. JOSEPH DAY 2026



WISH LIST

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| Tissues | Chocolate (any kind) |
| Laundry pods | Postage Stamps |
| Craft aprons | Gift Cards for |
| Dry erase markers | Walmart, Amazon, |
| Craft Ribbon | Boscov's, Acme |

BIG WISHES

- Wheelchair Scale
- Stand up lift
- Oxygen Concentrator