

A Message from Sr. Anna Maria Provincial Superior

JMJT

Have you ever trusted in God completely and not been disappointed? I can't say that I always trust *completely*, but recently, I have tasted of His Providential care for me and truly have not been disappointed in trusting that His plan is better than mine.

The month of July has truly been filled with moments of being provided for beyond my deserving and His gifts exceed all my expectations. I would like to reflect with you on my trip to Rome. The trip originally was for business purposes, but Our Lord allowed this trip to be transformed into a pilgrimage. At most I was expecting to go through the Holy Doors of St. Peter's Basilica, but the Lord allowed much more. After seeing the Holy Father for the Angelus in the Square, another sister and I proceeded into St. Peter's for Sunday Mass. To our amazement, we were approached by a priest who was concelebrating at the Mass, and his gestures indicated he wanted us to help distribute Holy Communion. I was completely awe struck! Even being able to climb Scala Sancta, "the Holy Stairs," while praying for the intentions of so many people was an honor. When you give the Lord a little, He will give you a lot.

I want to take this time to also bring up that we are renovating our Chapel. Many of you know of our Foundress, Blessed Maria Teresa of St. Joseph. I would like to introduce another sister whose cause for canonization is moving forward: Sr. M. Theresia of the Most Holy Trinity. Originally from the Netherlands, she came to the United States to serve in our home in St. Charles, and she passed away here in St. Louis in 1926 at St. Mary's Hospital. She was buried in Wisconsin near our Northern Provincial House. We have been asked to work on building a place of repose for Sr. M. Theresia where her remains will be publicly accessible for the faithful to come and pray for her intercession. We will be also renovating our chapel and convent since both are in critical need of repair. We are working with a local architect company, Studio Totus, who have liturgical architectural understanding.

Please keep us in your prayers as we discern how to convert our chapel into an even more beautiful dwelling for Jesus and a reflection of our community's Charism.



Notes from Administration

Greetings!

I am sharing with you all a change with Dr. Julie Wittenauer. Beginning September 1, 2025, Dr. Chelsea Daniels, along with Gabrielle Giamanco, NP, will support your care on-site. Dr. Julie Wittenauer will remain the Medical Director at St. Agnes Home and oversee the services provided by these medical professionals, who are all at part of the Mercy Healthcare System.

If you prefer to explore other provider options, please don't hesitate to contact The Social Services Department at St. Agnes Home, and they will be happy to assist you.

Stay Healthy and God Bless! Angela



we invite you to have:

The CONVERSATION

A Catholic Perspective on Cycle of Life Issues

SUMMER 2025

Presented by the Roman Catholic Foundation at

St. Agnes Home

SATURDAY | AUGUST 9, 2025

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (lunch provided)

St. Agnes Home
10341 Manchester Road • Kirkwood, MO 63122

"Very well organized, well-presented information
that every person should hear!"
— Judy Neary, St. Clare of Assisi parishioner

TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Principles of Catholic Bioethics
- Ordinary and Extraordinary Means of Preserving Life
- Quality of Life & the Dignity of the Human Person
- Advance Directives & Estate Planning
- Charitable Legacy Planning
- Funeral and Cemetery Planning
- Pastoral Care of the Sick and Dying
- Anatomical Donation & Cremation

Get answers to these questions and more!

To register, scan the code, call or visit:
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LET'S TALK...

Conversations about illness, death and dying are never easy. Whether death comes suddenly or after a prolonged illness, most of us are not comfortable discussing our medical wishes or end-of-life plans with our loved ones. However, being prepared ensures that your final wishes are followed. It is important for you and your loved ones to understand the Church's teachings on end-of-life decisions. Advance planning on your part keeps your family from having to make these difficult decisions.

This free seminar is for people of all ages and life situations: single people, parents of young families, those caring for aging parents and those facing illness or death. There will be no solicitation at this event.



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Chaplain's Corner



A FOLLOW-UP ON YOUR "CONVERSATION" INVITE

As you see from the previous page, on Saturday August 9th you have an invitation to be part of a CONVERSATION that even includes lunch right here at St Agnes Home from 10:00 – 2:00. One of the speakers will be Father Dan Kavanagh who served here for several years as our Priest Chaplain. If you receive the Archdiocesan Newspaper you have also had the opportunity to read many of his excellent articles.

The program will include principles of Catholic Bioethics, Ordinary and Extraordinary Means of Preserving life, Advance Directives and Estate Planning, and the Dignity of the Human Person.

Conversations about illness and the pastoral care of the sick, and death and dying are never easy, but let's face it --- this is information we need to hear about from time to time. And it will be available right here at St Agnes Home.

On another note, Pope Leo recently said ---- in case you missed it ---- "We are all disciples of Christ. Christ goes before us. The world needs His light. Humanity needs Him as the bridge to be reached by God and His love. Help us also, and then help each other to build bridges, without dialogue, with encounter, uniting us all to be one people always at peace."

Archbishop Robert Carlson

Nursing Notes

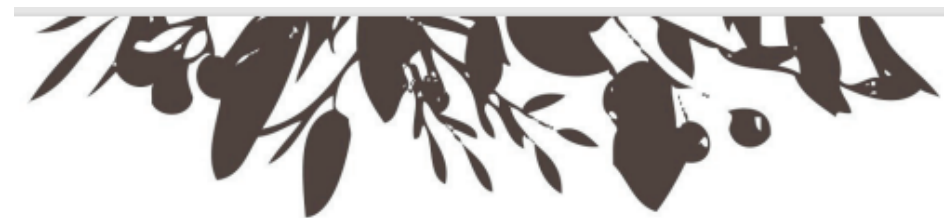
Greetings from the Nursing Department:

We hope you are all enjoying your summer. We want to share the happy news that **Tina Gligoric** passed her Boards (NCLEX), and is officially a RN. Congratulations, Tina!!! Her story has a special twist. Her mother is Sandra Gligoric, who started on **July 16th, 24 years ago**. Twenty four years ago Sandra was working night shift and now works in the Care Center on day shift as a CMT. When Tina was in high school, she worked at the front desk, then went to nursing school. She started this May as a graduate nurse. Tina took her Boards on **July 16**, which is a very important Carmelite Feast day as it is "Our Lady of Mount Carmel. It's very fitting that Tina would take her Boards and pass on this day. July 16th was a day filled with celebrations.

Though the heat has been intense the last few weeks of July, being in the fresh air and sunshine is very refreshing. An effective cooling off tip is to run cold water over your wrists. This is the best time to renew healthy habits. A habit takes six weeks to form. The fresh bright sunshine invites people to be more active. Fresh fruit and other seasonal produce is readily available, and are rich in vitamins and nutrients, and low in fat. Of course, remember to drink plenty of water. This flushes your body clean. Indulge in being healthy during these summer months and let it become a habit for great health. Thank you to all the family and friends who have dropped off the fresh fruit and produce for the Sisters. We greatly appreciate your generosity!

Have a beautiful and enjoyable summer!!!!

God bless you all! *Sr. Mary Faustina*



Join the Carmelite Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus for

TASTE OF CARMEL

Gala

October | 18 | 2025

Benefitting the work of the Sisters.

Individual Tickets \$1,000 Tables of 8 or 10 also available.

This year's event is being held in honor of the Sisters' life of prayer in the heart of the church and Sr. M. Theresia of the Most Holy Trinity.

Sr. M. Theresia, a Carmelite Sister D.C.J., who died in St. Louis in 1926 and is a Servant of God, meaning that she is in the early stages of the process of canonization.

The funds raised from this year's Taste of Carmel Gala will be used to benefit much-needed chapel and convent renovations. In addition to remodeling the current chapel, the funds will be used to build a side chapel where Sr. M. Theresia's body will be interred as her cause of sanctity progresses in Rome.

Saturday, October 18, 2025

*4:30pm Mass - St. Agnes Chapel
6pm Gala Old Warson Country Club*



To purchase tickets, make a donation, inquire about sponsorship opportunities, or for more information, contact gala@carmelitedjc.org or 314.477.2872.

EXCITING ANNOUNCEMENT



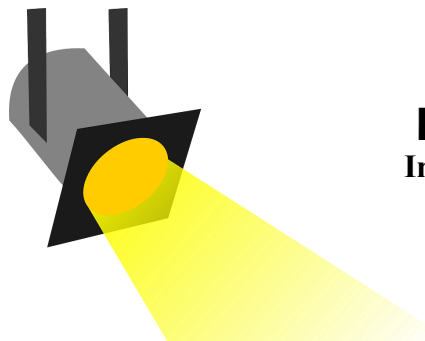
WE'RE RENOVATING THE CHAPEL!!!

The time has come to give the Sisters' living quarters some loving attention...and we're beginning with the chapel! We ask for your prayers and support as we begin the conceptual design phase.

STAY TUNED! MORE INFORMATION TO COME!



Sr. M. Alicia de los Angeles de la Sagrada Familia prostrates during the Litany of the Saints prior to making her final profession.

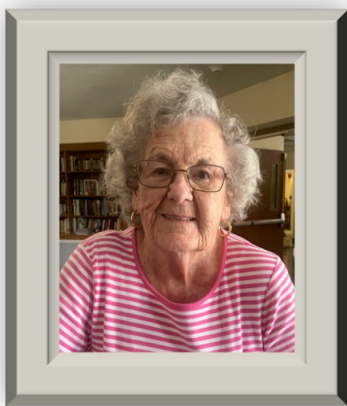


Resident Spotlights:
Interviewed by our Cor Jesu Volunteers

Helen D. used to be a nurse from Pennsylvania. But soon she moved to St. Louis, Missouri in 1957. Helen spent 17 years raising her 4 kids: a girl and three boys. Helen was the nurse supervisor of Pediatrics at Cardinal Glennon for 12 years, while married for 24 years to her husband Andrew, who was an educator. Her favorite hobby is doing puzzles. She enjoys doing puzzles with vibrant bright colors so she can see better. If Helen is not found in her room at St. Agnes Home, she is in the rotunda working a puzzle. She also used to enjoy reading; she'd read a book every day. Her favorite moment in her life was meeting her husband. She met him at Latrobe, Pennsylvania at Saint Vincent College. Her favorite vacation is at the ocean at Atlantic City.

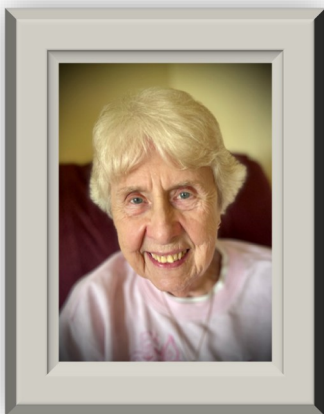
Helen has 5 grandkids. Her greatest memory with her grandkids is celebrating the holidays with them and the animals. She goes to every school event for her grandkids.

Her advice for a young person is to do what you love and do not do it for the money. She would tell her younger self to strive to follow that same advice - it will make you so much happier.



Mary Margaret B., known affectionally as “Maggie,” a St. Louis native who attended St. Alphonsus Rock High School and is a long-time parishioner of Sacred Heart Parish in Valley Park. She loves to sing and enjoys playing bridge with friends.

She recalled how she met her husband Charlie on December 17th, 1960, when they were set up on a blind date by a coworker. Their relationship was just beginning when Charlie was drafted in the army and served for nearly 4 years. During this time they maintained their relationship with letters. Soon after he returned, they were married on October 17th, 1964, and had three children: Kim, Dan, and Karen. They have two grandchildren, Jacob and Katie, who Mary Margaret refers to as her “greatest blessings.”



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
27	28	29	30
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9:00 Mass 10:00 Coffee & Doughnuts	St. John Vianney 7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Needlework Club 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Twister Trivia	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 National Watermelon Day 1:15 Rosary & Perpetual Help 2:15 Movie: Villa Amore	Transfiguration 7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Bridge 1:15 Rosary & Perpetual Help 2:15 Movie: The Parent Trap
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9:00 Mass 10:00 Coffee & Doughnuts 1:00 Adoration 4:15 Vespers & Benediction	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Needlework Club 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Watercolor	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Name That Tune 1:15 Rosary & Perpetual Help 2:15 Movie: Good Night & Good Luck	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Mass 1:15 Rosary & Perpetual Help 2:15 Movie: Good Night & Good Luck 3:30 Du
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		9:00 First Friday Mass Followed by Adoration 11:00 Rosary 3:00 Happy Hour - Tom T. 4:45 Vespers & Benediction	8:30 Chaplet of Divine Mercy 9:00 First Saturday Mass 10:30 Confessions 2:00 Footprints of God 4:30 Fatima Devotions
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Transfiguration of the Lord	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Scrabble 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Marian Apparition Video Series	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Duo Dog - Rosie 1:15 Rosary 3:00 Happy Hour - Video	St. Teresa Benedicta 8:30 Rosary 9:00 Mass THE CONVERSATION Conference
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	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Bus Trip 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Manicures	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9:00 Mass 1:15 Rosary 3:00 Happy Hour - Rich T.	8:30 Rosary 9:00 Mass 10:30 Confessions 1:00 Footprints of God
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	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Book Club 10:30 Library Visit 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Cooking Demo -ML	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Craft: Picture Frames 1:15 Rosary 3:00 Happy Hour- Matt D.	8:30 Rosary 9:00 Mass 10:30 Duo Dog - Bean 2:00 Virtual Vacation
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	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Bus Trip 1:15 Rosary 2:15 Eating with the Saints	7:00 Mass 9:30 Exercise 10:00 Scattergories 1:15 Rosary 3:00 Happy Hour - Lawrence M.	8:30 Rosary 9:00 Mass 10:30 Duo Dog - Rosie 2:00 Footprints of God

PLEASE USE THIS AS A GUIDE.
SEE WEEKLY ACTIVITY SHEETS FOR
ADDITIONS & CHANGES.

1. **First Friday:** For our living and deceased benefactors, and for our deceased residents
2. **First Saturday:** For Sr. M. Alicia de los Angeles
3. **18th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** For Jean Paul Torno (Requested by Patricia)
4. For Ed Metzger – RIP (Requested by Jan and Don)
5. For Sr. M. Longina – RIP (Requested by Peter)
6. **The Transfiguration of the Lord:** For the intentions of Mother Karla Marija and the General Council and Sr. Anna Maria and the Provincial Council
7. *For Archbishop Carlson's Intentions*
8. For Stipo and Kaja Tavic (Requested by Dijana)
9. For Don and Nancy Ross (Requested by Peter)
10. **19th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** For children and residents with birthdays this month: Gianna, Penn, Joseph, Emelia, Julie, Molly, Jack, Jane, Martha, Janey, Mary, Sherry, Bishop Gaydos, Ann, Jeanine, Martha, June
11. For Sr. M. Clare (Nameday)
12. For Joan Hennessey – RIP (Requested by Mary Lou)
13. For John Romito – RIP (Requested by Tom, Sandy, and Family)
14. For Claire Shelly (Requested by Patricia and Susan)
15. **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** For the Sisters at St. Agnes (Requested by Peter)
16. For the Sucher/Leonard Family (Requested by Mike and Jackie)
17. **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time:** For the intentions of residents, children, families, and staff of St. Agnes Home and Carmelite Child Development Center
18. For Joseph Walsh – RIP (Requested by Marge)
19. For our living and deceased benefactors
20. For the canonization of Bl. Maria Teresa of St. Joseph
21. *For Archbishop Carlson's Intentions*
22. For Mother Karla Marija (Requested by Peter)
23. For employees with birthdays this month: Tawanda, Rachel, Milorad, Kathy, Joanne, Trinia, Suzy, Blanca, Eddie, Robin, Cheryl
24. **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time:** Jerry O'Neil – RIP (Requested by the O'Neil Family)
25. For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life
26. For Ann Gahn – RIP (Requested by Jan and Don)
27. For Sr. Mary Joseph – RIP
28. For Sr. M. Grace Augustine (Nameday)
29. For Jeff Garesche (Requested by Betty)
30. For Clare Genovese (Requested by Peter)
31. For Mary Anne Sansone (Requested by Cecilia)

Mass Intentions for August 2025
Magr. Jovanovic

2. **First Saturday:** For an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life
15. **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Ann Cuppy – RIP (Requested by Carol)

Suggested Mass stipend is \$10.00.
Please note that every attempt is made to honor mass intentions for specific dates or months. However, due to the number of requests, this is not always possible. Request masses at the front desk. Thank you for understanding!

Training for Senior Olympics

Thank you to
"team trainer" &
volunteer
extraordinaire,
Larry Wandersee.
He has a large
portion of the
Care Center train-
ing to be Olympic
hopefuls! (This is
all just in good
fun.)
Balloon volleyball
sure brings out the
joy & competition
in our residents!



Activities

By: Andrea Paszkiewicz

"Why do you have to take attendance?" This is something that our department gets asked all of the time! So, I thought I'd set the record straight.

There are actually several reasons that we take attendance at all of our activities, including Mass, but the simplest answer is that we're required to do so by the state. Just like Dietary needs to serve you a certain amount of calories and Nursing has to report on what meds they give out, we are required to track the activities that residents are attending as a component of your care plans.

On a more personal level, attendance information helps our department in several ways: 1) It allows us to tweak the activities we offer in order to serve the most residents possible. If we notice an activity has repeated low numbers, we can switch it out for something more popular, which would be a better use of our time and yours. 2) If a resident always comes to a certain activity and then suddenly stops, it can be a sign that something is wrong. They may be sick, feeling down, etc., but recognizing those patterns helps us reach out to other departments and, hopefully, get that resident whatever help they may need. 3) It proves how well we are (or aren't) doing our jobs. If attendance numbers are unusually low, there should be a good reason for it. So, it keeps us accountable to all of you and ourselves.

I hope this helps clear up a few things, but if you have more questions about it, please feel free to reach out. Otherwise, let's keep having fun!

Speaking of which, our bus is back!! So, we'll be planning some outings once this heat breaks. Also, Kati will be making a brief return appearance to lead a cooking demonstration, and Angela, our Administrator, will be joining us for monthly games. Lastly, we'll be starting up a new collaboration with Christian, our Dietary Director, called Eating with the Saints. More information will come soon, but I hope it will be a fun crossover of food and faith for all of us!

St. Agnes Home Liturgical Schedule

Mass Times

Monday - Friday ~ 7:00 AM
Saturday/Sunday/First Friday ~ 9:00 AM
Special Feast Days & Holidays ~ see
Activity Calendar

Rosary

Monday - Friday ~ 1:15 PM
Saturday 8:30AM before mass

Fatima Devotions

1st Saturday of the Month ~ 4:30 PM

Perpetual Help Devotions

Tuesdays ~ 6:30 PM

Adoration

First Friday ~ After 9:00 AM Mass un-
til 4:45 PM Benediction
Sundays ~ 1:00 PM until 4:15 Vespers
& Benediction
(No Adoration on the Sunday
following First Friday)

*Liturgical Schedule subject to
change.* See Weekly Activities Sheet.

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Tune in to Channel 6 to watch
Mass and devotions live.



St. Agnes Home has been blessed with a Summer full of rising Cor Jesu Seniors. Nine of these students selected St. Agnes Home to fulfill their 40 hour volunteer requirement for their LASTING project during June and July. What a joy they have been and their extra hands and energy were extremely helpful to the Activities Department and Dietary. To give up 40 hours in the Summertime is a real commitment, especially wearing their school uniform on these hot days.

We hear so many positive comments from residents about the kindness and loving spirit these girls display. Their closeness to the Sacred Heart of Jesus was evident in their daily interactions with our residents.

ST. AGNES HOME RECOGNITION PROGRAMS



Recognizes employees who exemplify what it means to be “warmed by HIS love” and provide exceptional care and service to the Home, the residents and each other. Their daily efforts show that they remember to “See God in all; Serve God in all; and, Love God in all.”



Maddie Conley
Reception and Social
Services Teams



Maddie’s name will be added to the Employee of the Month plaque. She will have a special parking spot on our premises and she will receive a gift card prize.
Congratulations, Maddie!

If you would like to show your appreciation and nominate an employee who goes above and beyond, ask at the front desk for one of these Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork forms

Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork Spot Recognition

TEAMWORK

Receiver's Name: _____

Giver's Name: _____

Department: _____

What did this employee do to show that "Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork?"

The employee receiving the form should place it in the recognition box near the front desk or the employee breakroom by the timeclock.
Three winners will receive \$25 gift cards.

August winners: Congratulations to the following employees who won \$25 gift cards for showing that **Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork**:

Annetta Houston	Nursing	Does everything possible to ensure residents have all they need, with a smile!
Maddie Conley	Social Services	Doing an amazing job being a loving and helpful face of St. Agnes Home!

RESIDENTS:

June N.	02
Janey F.	03
Martha D.	06
Sherry H.	06
Mary G.	12
Jeanine B.	13
Bishop Gaydos	14
Jane K.	21
Ann D.	30



EMPLOYEES:

Tawanda J.	07
Rachel M.	07
Milorad G.	09
Kathy B.	11
Joanne G.	12
Trinia W.	12
Suzy P.	17
Blanca G.	20
Eddie S.	26
Robin B.	27
Cheryl G.	30



We express our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of our residents who have passed away.

Peggy Roffino

Mabel Lackland

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

Welcome home

Our welcome mats are and we look forward to our new residents joining the St. Agnes Home family!

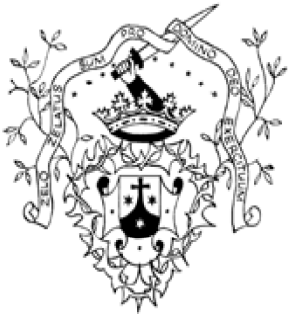
Kathryn and Thomas S.

Julie L.

Ester M.

Madelyn M.

Peggy A.



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