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## **ADMINISTRATOR NOTE**

Hello SJVC residents, families, and community. As many of you know, I joined the Saint Joseph's Villa and Court team in March of 2017 as the Director of Nursing and have accepted the position as Administrator for Saint Joseph's Villa and Court.

As I transition into this position and begin to take over the reigns, I wanted to share some insight as to future goals for the residents, the staff, and the facility.

The world of Healthcare is changing and as the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services begin their new survey processes, the new regulations go into place and tightening of their budget; I want to ensure that as these changes occur, our facility continues to give extraordinary care to our residents and support to our families. I also want to ensure that the facility continues to have excellent state surveys. Another goal is to retain and recruit extraordinary staff. As I begin my new role in 2018, I want to instill the words GOALS to all.

Going above and beyond Outdoing ourselves Aiming High Leading the way Striving for Excellence April Johnston, DON

**NEW MEDICARE CARDS! COMING IN 2018** Medicare will mail new Medicare cards between April 2018 – April 2019. To help protect your identity, your new card will have a unique Medicare Number instead of your Social Security Number. The new card won't change your coverage or benefits. Here's what you need to know: You don't need to do anything to get your new card, but you should make sure your mailing address is up to date. If your address needs to be corrected, contact Social Security at ssa.gov/myaccount or 1-800-772-1213. TTY users can call 1-800-325-0778. Medicare will never call you uninvited and ask for your personal information. Beware of anyone who contacts you about your new Medicare card. You'll get more information from Medicare when your new card is mailed.

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# St. Joseph's Vílla & Court Míssíon & Values





This year commemorates the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the five Adorers of the Blood of Christ that were killed by soldiers in the army of Liberian warlord Charles Taylor during a civil war that left hundreds of thousands dead. Sisters **Barbara Ann Muttra** and **Mary Joel Kolmer** were killed on Oct. 20 as they drove the convent's security guard home to a neighboring suburb. They never returned. Three days later, soldiers shot and killed Sisters **Kathleen McGuire**, **Agnes Mueller**, and **Shirley Kolmer** in front of their convent in Gardnersville. They are remembered as Adorer's radically committed to their ministry. Their lives and martyrdom have left an indelible mark on their community.

Sr. Barbara Ann Muttra, ASC	Sr. Shirley Kolmer, ASC	Sr. Mary Joel Kolmer, ASC	Sr. Agnes Mueller, ASC	Sr. Kathleen McGuire, ASC
War is terrible! Peace. Pray for peace! Ask the Prince of Peace to visit Liberia in a special way for peace, understanding, forgiveness, and a cure for hurt and hatred." Date of Birth: March 11, 1923 Date of Religious Profession: July 1, 1943 Ministry: 28 years in the United States as a nurse and trainer of health- care workers, three years in Vietnam as a refugee worker, 21 years in Liberia (1971- 1992) as a nurse and teacher of health-care work- ers.	Perhaps we will come to see the day when everyone recognizes that we all inherit the earth and we can al- low each person, each people to claim their rightful inheritance." Born: Dec. 15, 1930 Date of Religious Profession: July 1, 1947 Ministry: 31 years in the United States as a teacher, university professor, formation director for the former Ruma Province, pro- vincial superior of the former Ruma Province; nine years in Liberia (1977- 1978; 1984-1992) as a university professor, teacher, and high school principal.	"Making this mo- ment the best we can is the way life goes best, I say! We've got to share with our whole body as well as our soul when we do something, and that makes the differ- ence between being alive or dead to something. They are all moments of beau- ty." <b>Born:</b> March 1, 1934 <b>Date of Religious</b> <b>Profession:</b> July 1, 1957 <b>Ministry:</b> 25 years in the United States as an elementary school teacher; 10 years in Liberia (1982-1992) as a teacher and aspirant director.	"Once we realize that God's presence, the face of God, can come through many, many different kinds of peo- ple, that because God's faith is present in all these people, some- how or another there is a dignity and a re- spect for all people." Born: Nov. 18, 1929 Date of Religious Profession: July 1, 1948 Ministry: 15 years in the United States as a nurse; 24 years in the United States in reli- gious education, as director of apostolic services for the former Ruma Province, as formation and novice director; five years in Liberia in religious education.	Ministry can only be the sharing of the gift that was given to me. However and wherever I am, my work, like the Father's, is to breathe a little life into those I know, help them to come to be a little more fully, a little more freely who they are." Born: Dec. 28, 1937 Date of Religious Profession: July 1, 1956 Ministry: 35 years in the United States as a secondary school teacher, assistant high school principal, peace and justice coordinator for the former Ruma Province, sanctuary worker, and campus minister; one year in Liberia working for the rehabilitation of those psychologically scarred by the civil war.

You can learn more about the lives and legacy of the ASC Martyrs of Charity in a short documentary located on the Adorer's website using this link <u>http://adorers.org/martyrsdocumentary/</u> and <u>http://adorers.org/asc-liberia-martyrs/</u>



Columbus Chalice donated n honor of Jim Kobza.

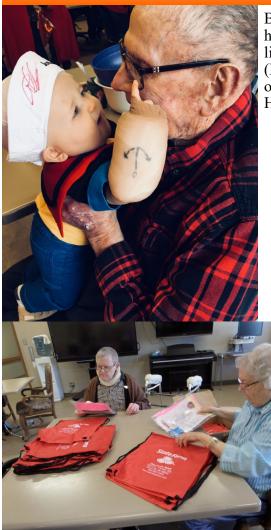
## IN REMEMBRANCE

"AS we went to our knees with only that thought-"they are gone"- I sensed the Lord saying to me "If you must insist that they are gone, at least finish the thought. "They have gone-where.? "Ah! The thought was completed in my mind. "Home," I said. "They have gone home!"... What a difference to know that!



Our thoughts and prayers are with their families, friends and loved ones.

# St. Joseph's Villa Activities



Bob Litjen holding a little sailor (Baker Wurl) on Halloween.

> (Top Right) Sr. Frances Pytlik, Rosalyn Hofpar and Marie Havlovic are making their paper mache candy corn.

Middle Left-Ron Helgoth & Teresa Hottovy are busy stuffing bags for "Stashing thru the Snow" a benefit for Mark Hecker.

Middle Right-Leonard Havranek decorates pumpkins with 2nd graders from St. Mary's Elementary.

Doris Boyd, Beno Bartunek, and Luella Fish are enjoying stories by the Bellwood 2nd Graders



Ethel Mach and Marilyn VanArsdel are trimming the tree. The residents were all very excited to get to help with the decorating throughout the holiday season





## St. Joseph's Court Activities



Marlene Boldebuck and Irene Jones making apple strudel.

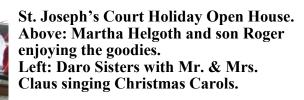


Our Veterans: Left: Jerry Klenda, Winard Augustin, Cleo Pope, Leroy Shaw, & Ron Gestring. Thank you for your years of service!



Sally Bartunek at the St. Benediction Center.







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## 2017 Court Christmas Parties

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compassionate Jesus and to follow the values of the Gospel by creating a home for elders where they feel secure, loved, and respected. We are committed to a ministry that provides spiritual, physical, and psycho-social needs in a loving Christian environment.

#### <u>Our Values</u>

**Reverence/Respect** - We honor each person as an inherently valuable member of the human community and as a unique expression of life.

**Community** - We demonstrate care and concern for each person and cooperate to build supportive relationships, which promotes a family-centered spirit.

**Excellence** - We promote on-going efforts for exceptional service by a well qualified, dedicated staff thereby maintaining a warm, friendly, clean and safe home.

**Spirituality** - We strive to integrate the active presence of God in all faith traditions by nurturing the inner spirit enabling the elders to live full lives while preparing for a new dimension - life after death.

**Just Stewardship** - We advocate fair treatment of all and promote fiscal responsibility regarding wages and benefits and accountability of time and resources.

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