

A NOTE FROM MOTHER

We are enjoying the beautiful weather of summer and raise our hearts to the glory of God for the beauty of nature with all the gorgeous colors of the flower varieties that are seen around us. What a delight and a joy that surprises us every day!



We want to continue our journey with Mother General Maria and Mother Assistant Joseph Christine when they came to Queen of Peace to greet the Residents and staff.

Everyone was so looking forward to seeing them and when they arrived by the dining room door they were greeted by Lady Liberty and Father Ernest Lelievre, who was instrumental in the beginning of the Congregation in America as he helped to open 13 Homes in 1868-1872.

Our two visitors met each Resident and staff member and gave them a small gift as they greeted them in Spanish, French or English. Many were teary eyed because her warmth was so genuine and her smile shone through her eyes.

Their departure on Friday, May 15, came all too soon from Queen of Peace. Little Sisters, Residents, AJJ and staff filled the lobby and walkway to the van, waving American, French, Spanish and Scottish flags for their final send off.

We were sad to see them go but we hold them in our hearts as we pray for them daily and know that one day we will see them again.

Upon their return to our Motherhouse in France, we know that they carried all the special intentions confided to them during their visit to the USA, as they assured all of us of a prayerful remembrance in all the places so special to each Little Sister there in La Tour.

Yes, it is a summer of a beautiful season of living life to the fullest and enjoying the beauty of nature along with the beauty of building relationships that endure the winter and see God's hand in all things.

St. Joseph truly inspires all those who help provide for the needs of our Home through "encounters" and gratitude continues to fill our hearts day by day for each one of you. God Bless you!

Mother Joseph Caroline, lsp, Superior



Golfers support our Residents

Queen of Peace Residence hosted its annual Golf Outing May 4 at the beautiful Hempstead Golf and Country Club where the Little Sisters and Auxiliary members welcomed the 139 golfers.

James "Jamie" Agoglia, founder and president of Ram Abstract LTD, was this year's honoree.

He gave a moving speech about giving back to the community and the importance of supporting our Home. The awards ceremony included special thanks to those who sponsored this year's event, along with acknowledgement of the Golf Committee, who worked diligently over the last seven months, and to the Queen of Peace Auxiliary.

The evening excitement grew as the announcement of raffle winners and live auctions took place, including a dinner with the Sisters at Queen of Peace Residence.

It was with much gratitude in our hearts and an assurance of our daily prayers, that we bid farewell to our Benefactors and Friends who continue to so generously provide for the needs of our Home.



Welcome to New York

We would like to share the news of the recent visit our Mother General Maria del Monte Auxiliadora and Mother Assistant Joseph Christine, who came from France and visited seven Homes in the Chicago Province before arriving in St Ann's Novitiate on May 11.

What a beautiful day it was for their arrival here in New York and with what great joy the Residents and staff from Queen of Peace, along with many Little Sisters from our Province, welcomed them!

As we pulled in at the front

gate, everyone was waving flags from Spain, France, Scotland and the USA and were so excited to meet our travelers.

Our eldest Little Sister in the Congregation, Sister Mary Monica, age 106, was "Happy" to greet Mother General and present her with a beautiful bouquet of flowers.

Martha Calad, AJJ, presented a bouquet of flowers to Mother Assistant.

There was a joyful swirl of greetings as they embraced each one as everyone was carried along by the warmth and excitement of the moment.



Queens welcomes Mother General



There was great excitement at Queen of Peace Residence this May as we awaited the arrival of our Mother General, Mother Maria del Monte Auxiliadora, and Mother Assistant Joseph Christine.

Mother General oversees the entire Congregation worldwide representing the unity of all the Little Sisters, which is an excellent reason for Little Sisters from surrounding Homes to



gather together.

A brief welcome was made by one of our Residents which clearly touched Mother General's heart. She herself gave a lovely speech.

There were a few lighthearted moments with staff members dressed as Lady Liberty and Father Ernest Lelievre, which delighted her!

Celebrations and Festivities for our Home

A joyful, fun Easter

Manhattan's Easter Parade met its match this year.

Residents designed, created and proudly wore their holiday chapeau during the Queen of Peace Easter Parade!

Residents paraded the halls bringing smiles to those who were unable to participate.

They also enjoyed our annual Easter egg hunt! Everyone gathered in the auditorium to crack open their eggs, cheer the golden egg winners and enjoy refreshments.

The joy of Easter was in the air and solidly embedded in everyone's heart.

St. Joseph Day Dance

It was a long cold winter but that didn't stop the Queen of Peace community from joining the Little Sisters in celebration of their patron saint, St. Joseph!

The dinner dance was held at Auntun's of Queens Village which, once again, outdid itself.

The Second Street Band kept everyone on the dance floor, shouting out requests and singing along to favorite tunes.

The Queen of Peace auxiliary prepared raffle baskets that enticed and brought big smiles to those fortunate enough to win!

And we were truly blessed to have Residents, some with family members, able to share an evening of fellowship with those who so generously help our Home thrive.

A prom for the generations

February brought fierce weather,

but it was all sunshine and warmth at the Queen of Peace Junior/Senior Prom!

Our auditorium was transformed into a magical ballroom complete with live music center stage.

Residents, dressed to the nines, were escorted by students of Kellenberg High School.

Residents were energized by the enthusiasm of these young people ensuring a full dance floor for much of the evening.

It's events such as this that prove that there's no such thing as a "generation gap" where mutual respect and genuine love are concerned.

Turkey and Ham Drop

The Little Sisters opened their gates for the annual Turkey Drop and the community responded in a big way!

Donors dropped off turkeys, hams and other food supplies.

As always, the Knights of Columbus and Lions Club showed their support with generous contributions.

Kellenberg High School students helped with the collection, inspiring everyone with their youthful energy and sunny dispositions.

Queen of Peace Residence is blessed to have a family of friends that are so kind, generous and devoted to aiding the mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

Oktoberfest comes Home

Queen of Peace Residence hosted its annual Oktoberfest at Plattdeutsche Park in Franklin Square.

Guests enjoyed authentic German food such as sauerbraten, schnitzel,



potato pancakes and spaetzle.

They were entertained by a German dance troupe who convinced several guests to join them and learn some traditional dances!

There were 28 gorgeous raffle baskets and three special raffles.

A truly fun-filled evening with everyone heading home with full bellies and joyous hearts.

Laughter, love and luau

Saying good-bye to summer is never easy but here at Queen of Peace Residence we did it in style with our Annual Luau!

Our garden was transformed into a Hawaiian paradise where Residents enjoy an afternoon of fun with family and friends.

Staff members performed an authentic Hawaiian dance adorned in grass skirts and wreaths.

Students from Kellenberg Memorial High School hit the dance floor helping Residents "see how low they could go!" in the true spirit of limbo!

There may have been no surf or sand, and we may have been in the heart of Queens, but our imagination transported us to the Big Island of Hawaii lifting spirits with laughter and love!

Season of Creation

God is the master Creator and the bible gives a wondrous and detailed account of how we and the world were created.

It's sad to admit but we tend to overlook all the miraculous things the good Lord has made for us.

We enjoy the flowers in our gardens but do we consider the unique birds and insects that make them possible?

We enjoy the smell of the ocean but

do we consider the wide variety of fish in the sea?

It is astonishing to think about all He made for our survival and simple pleasure!

The Sisters and activities team came up with a series of outings called "Season of Change" in which Residents are able to contemplate God's artistry.

Residents gathered for an afternoon of prayer and wonder.

They explored our grounds – including the Novitiate – learning about the plants, foliage and vegetables that are grown right here in our own backyard!

There was no doubt that nighttime prayers included thanks for all things great and small.

Upcoming Events

Jeanne Jugan 50/50 Raffle

Saturday, August 30

Garden Party

Saturday, September 12

Oktoberfest

Thursday, October 22

Craft Fair

Saturday, November 7

Turkey/Ham Drop

Saturday, November 21