



Vincenzian Marian Manor

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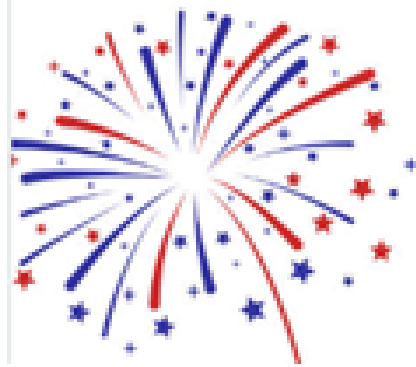
WELCOME
JULY



*7/11 Armand Panson
7/17 Paul McGann
7/21 Mary McLaughlin*

GREEN THUMB CLUB Community liaison, Robin Schwarz from Bridges Hospice brought pots, plants and dirt and residents showed their green thumb as they planted beautiful flowers!





FOURTH OF JULY

FUN FACTS

The Declaration of Independence Wasn't Actually Signed in July. On July 4, 1776, Congress officially adopted the Declaration of Independence, but the official copy wasn't signed by all 56 signers until August 2, 1776.

Fireworks Were John Adams' Idea. When John Adams wrote that letter predicting an annual Fourth of July celebration, he specifically called out one iconic tradition: Fireworks. He wrote that the holiday would be celebrated "with illuminations from one end of this continent to the other from this time forward, forevermore."

Americans Eat 155 Million Hot Dogs Each Fourth of July. According to Forbes, 155 million hot dogs are consumed each Independence Day, setting Americans back \$104.7 million for the dogs and another \$70.4 million for the buns.

The First Fourth of July Was Celebrated in 1777. When the Declaration of Independence was finalized in July of 1776, future president John Adams wrote a letter to his wife Abigail, saying he expected the date to become an annual celebration in America—and he was right. In 1777, the first Fourth of July was celebrated with fireworks and parades.

Three Presidents Have Died on July 4. While only one president, Calvin Coolidge, has been born on Independence Day, three have died on the holiday. Presidents John Adams and Thomas Jefferson actually died on the same day, on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of the Fourth of July. Later, President James Monroe died on July 4, 1831.

'The Star-Spangled Banner' Didn't Become the National Anthem for More Than 100 Years. Francis Scott Key wrote *The Star-Spangled Banner* on September 14, 1814, as he watched British troops take over Fort McHenry during the war of 1812—but the song didn't become the national anthem until more than a hundred years later in 1931.





READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?

Check out our Library (formerly known as the sun room) next to the Activity Room. We have a nice selection of mysteries, romance, history, and many large print versions including a section of Readers Digest Condensed books. We also have the entire 14 book collection of Jan Karon's *Mitford Series*. In the mood for something lighter? We have a variety of magazines; Smithsonian, Women's Day, Us, People, Car & Driver and Sports Illustrated. Large print Word Search and Crosswords are always available for the asking. No library card needed - just stop by to browse, sit and read or take it with you!

Dear Friends,

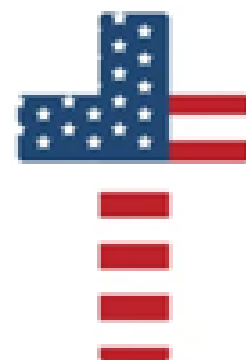
Greetings to you in this season of Summer! May God renew us in these days of sunshine and through the beauty of His creation all around us. On July 26 we celebrate the Feastday of Saints Anne and Joachim, the parents of our Blessed Mother and the Patron Saints of Grandparents. Last year, Pope Francis established a new celebration for the Church calendar - the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. He placed it on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, and this year that Sunday is July 24. Let us pray together:

Saints Anne and Joachim, God chose you to be the parents of our Blessed Mother Mary and so the grandparents of His Son, Jesus. We place in your care our children, our grandchildren, and all of our families. Keep them safe and grant that they may ever grow in greater love of God and others. Please pray for us before the throne of your Divine Grandson, Jesus Christ. Help us to trust in the faithful love of God at all times, as you did. Amen.

Happy Fourth of July!

As we give thanks for the gift of our Country,
may God bless us and our world with His peace.

Fr. Michael



Joseph Pittinaro