

May 2023

# Vincentian Monthly

Vincentian Home Personal Care & Memory Lane



## **“Welcome Arrival of Spring”**

**By: Martha Foster**

*The fresh aroma of Spring is in the Air!*

*The barren trees are abundant with many blossoms, white & pink. The green foliage is covering the branches, once barren & dry.*

*Throughout the fenced Patio area, trees are picturesque with colorful pink blossoms of the Red Wood Tree, also framing a stone wall with cascading waterfalls. A relaxing area complete with a few rocking chairs for enhancement and pleasure. (No snoring allowed).*

*Flower Beds in this area are alive with an assortment of annuals ready to bloom in various shapes and colors. There are tables and chairs with seating areas in this welcome scenic garden. A nice place to meet your neighbor, enjoy the view and aroma of the fresh outdoors.*

**Come & enjoy!**

## **Springtime is Officially Here!**

We have exciting events happening this month:

May 2 – Music by Tim (Memory Lane)

May 3 – National Accordion Day – Live Music with Wally Merriman on the Accordion & Happy Hour

May 5 – Cinco de Mayo (Mexican) Party

May 9 – Our first ever Men’s Group (Led by Dave from Pastoral Care)

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Spring Planting outside raised gardens with Kat, the gardener (We will also be Planting in Memory Lane)

May 11<sup>th</sup> – Making cards for Mother’s Day and National Nurse’s Day

May 13<sup>th</sup> – Mother’s Day Tea Party with the Ingomar Daisy Troop

May 17<sup>th</sup> – *Tentative* Bus trip around town & stop for Ice Cream

May 18<sup>th</sup> – Ascension Thursday (Holy Day Mass) & Spring Painting with the North Hills Art Center

May 22<sup>nd</sup> – May Crowning in the Chapel (Rose Mueller will be the “May Queen”)

May 24<sup>th</sup> – Dean Owrey, our CEO, will be here to talk with the residents & Happy Hour

May 26<sup>th</sup> – Diane’s Grilled Cheese Lunch

May 27<sup>th</sup>- Ice Cream Social

May 30<sup>th</sup> – Meet & Greet with Senator Lindsay Williams

May 31<sup>st</sup> – Food Committee Meeting

## Other news:

The life enrichment staff is happy to take residents outside on beautiful days on the back patio. We have sunscreen and sunglasses in the nurse's station as well.

We are happy to be having Pet Visits (Dog Therapy) a couple of times this month.

1:30 Communion Service will now be in the Dining Room on Mondays and Wednesdays. That way we have adequate space and more time for a prayer service.

We welcome new volunteer, Mary Ann Hilburg back to Vincentian. Her parents, Jim & Theresa Ruperto were residents here. She will be helping take residents to Church some Sundays and help with some special events.

Please let Life Enrichment know if you are interested in receiving books, word searches, art materials, jigsaw puzzles, having your nails painted, etc. We would be happy to help!

We are still welcoming donations for Bingos: Quarters & Large Candy Bars seem the most popular. We also welcome loose necklaces & seasonal decorations. Thank you to family members who have been so generous!

Pastoral Care will be starting a "Prayer Chain." Residents, staff, and families can submit prayer requests to Sara Markl or Theresa Weber ([tweber@vcs.org](mailto:tweber@vcs.org)) and a Resident Prayer Team will remember you in daily prayer!

## Happy Birthday:

May 8 – Tom Gallick

May 9 – Glenn Thiel

May 10 – Ann Zahren

May 29 – Fr. George Palick

May 30 – Helen Schreiber

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## Welcome New Residents:

Joseph Balint

Millie DePaolis



## (NEWS CONTINUED)

You will also see a "kindness tree" that staff & residents can write kind words on for Vincentian Together Week (May 14-20<sup>th</sup>). The Theme this year is "Cultivating Kindness."

Finally, if family or friends want to volunteer, we are more than happy to welcome them into our Vincentian family. We are looking for music volunteers, help with Church escorting, exercise instructors, and people to organize our main library. We have other opportunities as well. Please contact Sara Markl if interested.

