

Mini-Focus March 2015

Has the snow really gone away? Will we soon see the grass?



Visit of the Bays Choir from Our Lady of the Hamptons School. The boys choir delighted the Sisters with an after dinner concert. The music was delightful and the Sisters enjoyed interacting with the boys.

Wheelchair Foundation – St. Joseph’s Convent received a donation of an approximate value of \$3,500 for 6 new wheelchairs and 3 pairs of casters to repair other wheelchairs. This is a Donation from Tiffany Cranacho and the Wheelchair Foundation. This act of kindness has enormously helped our Sisters with their mobility in the Convent Assisted Living residence. Sister Christina Adams of St. Joseph’s Convent was instrumental in obtaining this donation.



Sr. Anne Maureen Oakman, Sr. Maureen de Lourdes Stock, Sr. Mary Theresa Slaymaker, Sr. Virginia Immaculate Murthum, Sr. Elizabeth Mary Gildea, Sr. Margaret Jogues Ednie

We are deeply grateful to Tiffany from the Wheelchair Foundation for this gift. This kindness has helped our Sisters enormously with their mobility in our Assisted Living Residence in St. Joseph's Convent. There are over 70 Sisters residing in St. Joseph's Convent with an average age of 83. Having these new wheelchairs enables them to be more active and able to participate in activities in the Convent.

New Sound System for Stella Maris Convent --_The Development Office has received a \$5,000 Grant from the Mary Jane and Joseph Platt Jr. Family Foundation for a Sound System in the Stella Maris Convent Chapel in Far Rockaway. This grant completes the needed funding to move this project forward. Needless to say the Sisters are delighted that they can now look forward to being able to hear and participate more actively in the Mass and prayer services held in the Chapel.

St. Patrick's Day in Brentwood – The Sisters in St. Joseph's Convent had a special treat on St. Patrick's Day. In addition to the usual festivities and an Irish meal the St. Joseph's Bell Ringers gave a special Concert in the Convent Community Room. The Bell Ringers under the direction of Sr. Kate Brate delighted the audience with their music. Sr. Noel Cullen gave a special rendition of Danny Boy which was enthusiastically received by all. The Concert was well attended.

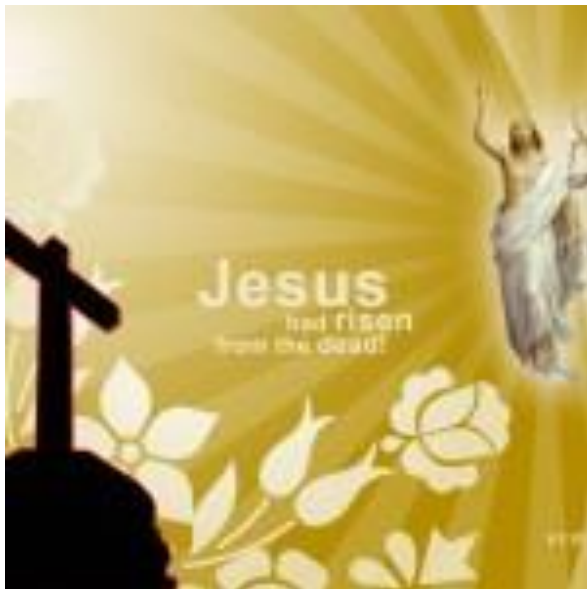


Our famous Bell Ringers, Sr. Virginia Chasas, Sr. Vivina Gracia, Sr. Theresa Molphy, Sr. Mary Raymond Keane, Sr. Mary Ellen Noone, Sr. Rosemary Wood, 2nd. Row Sr. Ave Regina Gould, Sr. Helen Geagan, Sr. Anne Maureen Oakman, Sr. Pat Sullivan, Sr. Marie LaLande, 3rd Row Sr. Maryann Flood, Sr. Francis Claire Gowen, Sr. Christina Adams, Sr. Dolores Katzenberger, Sr. Loretta Scully, Sr. Frances McGlynn, Sr. Grace Andrew, Sr. Joan McAvoy, Sr. Patricia Anne Perry and (in the back) Sr. Kate Brate, the Director and Sr. Noel Cullen who rendered Danny Boy and other Favorites. The picture proves that on St. Patrick's Day everyone is Irish, NOTE that everyone is decked out in Green.



They played to a very full house!

St. Joseph's Day – On this very singular day for the Sisters of Saint Joseph a wonderful liturgy was celebrated in Saint Joseph's Convent. Singing, guitar and organ music motivated the joyful participation of everyone. After Mass a sumptuous breakfast was served to all. Lunch with a special Menu and music delighted all the Sisters. The Archives will be making a special presentation for the Sisters in the afternoon on "Daughters of Saint Joseph" an inspirational insight into one of our Founders Fr. Nepper. Fr. Nepper, a French Jesuit who, in the light of Vatican II, helped the Sisters of St. Joseph reclaim their founding charism and history. He was especially interested in researching the founder Jean Pierre Médaille, SJ.



May the Joy of the Risen Christ fill your heart with love and peace for you and all of your family. We pray that many graces and blessings be yours during the Easter Season. Thank you for your continued support of our many activities that enable us to continue our Mission and Ministry to God's People.

Mr. James R. Rennert and the staff of the

Mission Advancement Office

Dates to Remember:

April 12, 2015 Guild Lunch - Tickets and chances are still available. Marie Morreale 631-273-1187 x125

June 10, 2015 Golf Outing – Details to follow