

Special Events this month

Easter Presentation: Catherine and Charlie Harris will present “See What a Morning” in our chapel on Good Friday, April 10th, at 10:30am. Come to hear the Easter Story through music, storytelling and images. This is an in-house event only.



Volunteer Banquet: We would like to take this opportunity to let all our volunteers know how much they are missed. Due to the COVID-19 virus, we will be cancelling our Volunteer Banquet for this month and rescheduling later this year. We are indebted to all of you who have taken the time to brighten our days through your joy and laughter. Your presence

has such an impact on our St. Monica’s community members, and you enrich their lives far more than you may realize. Thank you for offering your time and talents by joining St. Monica’s ministry of bringing healing, hope, and compassion to our community members.

Visitor Restrictions: Our Executive Director, Loretta Baxter, will keep us posted on when we may invite visitors to St. Monica. Until that time, we wish all our family members, volunteers and Board of Directors good health. We’d love to hear from you via email that you are staying healthy. Our plans for the summer months are going well and we will keep you posted through mail chimp, emails, text and recorded messages. For updates call our Coronavirus hotline: 262-383-3303

Useful Information



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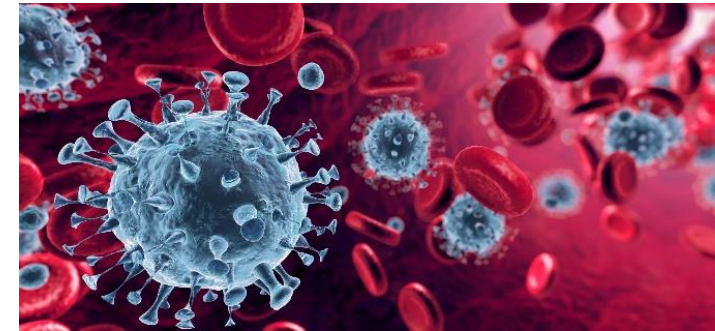
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Coronavirus Protection for St. Monica's

by

Loretta Baxter, R.N, Executive Director

It has been 3 generations since a disease (Coronavirus or COVID-19) of this magnitude appeared. Between 1918 and 1920 an outbreak of influenza spread across the globe.

At St. Monica's we are fortunate because of the diverse and comprehensive management and medical systems we have in place but chief among them is the passion of all our staff and leaders to protect you. Here are just a few of the protections and activities we have in place for you.

St. Monica's has restricted visitors for your protection to avoid someone with the illness coming into the facility. All staff are screened prior to entering the building for their shift. St. Monica's leaders are in contact with the Wisconsin Department of Health (DHS) and Racine County Public Health on a weekly basis for the latest most accurate information. Our physician on our Board of Directors, Dr. Kevin McCabe meets with St. Monica's leaders weekly to discuss planning and guidelines.

Maintenance and Housekeeping team members are cleaning your rooms, hallways and common areas with approved cleaning agents daily. Nursing is checking the temperature, and other vital signs daily on those that have chronic illnesses. Life Engagement is bringing those activities that provide entertainment in a safe, social distancing manner. Both Marketing and Life Engagement are assisting in communication with family members. The Sisters of St. Rita continue to pray and support your spirituality. The Dining staff have delicious meals that bolster our bodies through nutrition.

Governor Evers has issued a “safer at home” order until April 24th and all of us at St. Monica's will work to support this directive to keep you safe. Keep us informed on what your needs are during this time. Together we will come through this challenge strong. Yours in Service, Loretta Baxter, Executive Director.

St. Monica's Newest Community Member



Trudell Newberry, room 53, came to join us at St. Monica's from her home at Lake Oaks Senior Apartments. Trudell was born in Junction City, Arkansas and graduated from high school there. She went on the University of Arkansas and earned a master's degree in education. Her

profession took her to North Chicago, Illinois, where she first taught fifth and sixth grade and then moved up to be the administrator of a North Chicago High School. During that time she also served as an alderperson for the city of North Chicago. Trudell retired in 1993 and returned to Junction City, where her parents were living, so that she could provide care for them as long as they needed her. After that, she moved to Florida to further enjoy her retirement. She now makes her home in Racine, in order to be near to family. Trudell has two children, one son who lives here in Racine, and a daughter who lives in Washington, D.C. She also has seven grandchildren. She is a member of the Baptist faith. She enjoys reading, watching tv, and investing in the stock market. It's also been said that she is the queen of online shopping! Welcome to St. Monica's, Trudell!

Keep in Touch!

During our time in quarantine, we are learning new ways to communicate with our loved ones. There are many ways to keep in touch:

- Mail: Letter writing, sending cards & pictures
- Phone Call: if your loved one doesn't have a phone call Joan and she'll make a "phone date" for you.
- Skype Video Call: we've set up a Skype link <https://join.skype.com/invite/B6NQApN9DzVR> for you to talk to face-to-face electronically. You can also have your loved one search "Saint Monicas"
- Facetime: if your loved one has an iPhone or iPad, we can help facilitate the call with our in-house iPad.
- Facebook Updates: we'll keep you posted on the latest happenings!

The last thing we want is for anyone to feel isolated and lonely. We have many activities in the building and staff members to help keep you connected with your loved ones. **Please call Joan at 321-7138** for any assistance that you might need.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS!

Community Members

Nancy Sheets 4/02
Charles Dreyer 4/05
Mildred Krembs 4/06
Julie Linstroth 4/10
Sally Weisse 4/11
Audrey Sauntner 4/13
Niki Vakos 4/15

Staff Birthdays

Julie Wendorf 4/5
Leah Huber 4/9
Angles Barber 4/10
Lisa Yankech 4/10
Michelle Szczepanski 4/17
Chelsea Armstead 4/23
Natalie Nebel 4/25
Susanne Sprague 4/27
Lidija Aliji 4/28
Rebecca Nejedly 4/30

Staff Anniversaries

Breona Rydholm 4/2016
Sydney Johnson 4/2016
Kim Neubecker 4/2018
Leah Huber 4/2018
Margarita Castro 4/2019
Malena Brown 4/2019
Ronald Edwards 4/2019
Leovigilda Ferrusquia 4/2019
Mekeda Gilmore 4/2019

Caught you Caring...

Deb Mulder is this month's recipient for our caught you caring acknowledgement. She has volunteered to sew face masks for staff at the beginning of our quarantine. So far, she has produced 55 masks during her free time!



Deb began working at St. Monica's in 2011, as a caregiver while she was earning her degree in nursing. She earned her RN degree in 2014. Deb enjoys the interaction with our community members and loves to learn their life stories. She says they become part of her family. Deb has four children and two grandchildren, whom she adores. In her spare time, other than making masks, Deb likes to quilt and knit. She also likes to go camping and spend time with her family. **Congratulations to Deb!**

Caring Moments...



Music Therapy, it is such an integral part of our life engagement philosophy. Pictured is Siri who volunteers every Friday and interacts with our community members

with her music therapy program. She reminisces, sings, and gives everyone a fun instrument to play along to the musical beat. Siri really keeps them going and puts a smile on their faces. She's a great music therapist that we are so lucky to have here at St. Monica's.

Religious Services-TBD



Catholic

Mass @ 8:30am every weekday morning - TBD
Saturday no Mass, Sunday Mass at 4:00pm - TBD

Other Services: TBD

- 1st Thursday – Rev. Stephens, Lutheran Church of the Redeemer ELCA: 10:30 a.m.
- 2nd Thursday – George Kafer, Christ Church: 10:30 a.m.
- 3rd Thursday – Chaplain Terry: 10:30 a.m.
- 4th Thursday – Don Francis, North Point United Methodist: 10:30 a.m.
- 5th Thursday – Chaplain Terry: 10:30 a.m.

Holy Week Religious Service Schedule

Palm Sunday, April 5

4:00pm – Catholic Mass TBD

Holy Thursday, April 9

6:00pm - Lord’s Supper TBD

Good Friday, April 10

10:30am – Easter Program
1:00pm – Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday, April 12

4:00pm - Easter Mass TBD

Good and gracious God, our most glorious Creator, as we greet the signs in nature around us, of Spring once again regaling us in bloom, in the songs of returning birds and fields soon to be planted, we give you praise for an even greater sign of new life: the resurrection of your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, that we especially celebrate at this time. The sadness and despair of his death has given way to the bright promise of immortality. For the Resurrection is our guarantee that justice will triumph over treason, light will overcome darkness, and love will conquer death.

We praise you in this Easter season. Change our lives, change our hearts to be messengers of Easter joy and hope. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord forever. Amen.

— Father Larry Snyder

St. Monica’s Newest Community Member



Glen Halbe, room 3, is a new member of our community who came from his own home here in Racine. Glen was born in Villa Park, Illinois, and graduated from Elmhurst High School. He then went on to Elmhurst College to earn a degree in speech so that he could pursue his ambition to become a radio announcer. He met his wife, Beverly, while attending Elmhurst College. Glen worked in Chicago for a few years until he got the job of his dreams; he succeeded in being hired as a disc jockey in Chanute, Kansas. From there he went to Lincoln, Nebraska, to manage a radio station. The death of Doctor Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968, inspired him to change the direction of his life and enter the theological seminary to become an ordained pastor of the United Church of Christ. He served as pastor of many churches and says his favorite place was Provo, Utah. Glen and Beverly are members of the Sacred Journeys Congregation. They have one son and one daughter, both of whom live out of state. Glen enjoys jazz music, exercise, gardening, bird watching, and reading. He says he loves the view from his room, where he can watch the assortment of wild life on St. Monica’s grounds. Welcome to your new home, Glen!






This Month’s Shining Star

Bernice Byklum, better known to her friends as “Bea” is this month’s shining star. Bea is very active at St. Monica’s and participates in most of our activities and clubs. She is always willing to help, especially helping people to and from the dining room. She is also a huge help in the bingo room and handing out snacks and beverages.

Bea has three children, seven grandchildren and six great grandchildren, whom she loves dearly. She was also fortunate to be able to do a lot of traveling throughout her life. You can find Bea in the party room playing bingo with her friends. She’s a great gal and good person to call a friend. Stop for a chat the next time you see Bea.

Please Note: TBD = To Be Determined

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 April Fool's Day 9:00 Sheepshead 9:30 Balloon Fun 10:30 Book Club 1:00 Bingo 2:30 Popcorn Party 3:30 Dakim w/ Minnie	2 9:00 Nails 10:30 Coloring 1:00 Bingo 3:00 Chair Yoga 5:30 Western Classics	3 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Bible Trivia 1:00 Current Events 2:30 Happy Hour 3:00 Adoration	4 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Games w/Sharon 1:00 Word games 2:00 Color Me Calm 4:00 Fatima Rosary 5:30 Movie
5  8:30 Rosary 10:00 Balloon Blast 1:00 Baking w/Bea 2:30 Enjoy Lawrence Welk Program 4:00 Mass TBD	6 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Shirley Temple 1:00 Bowling League 1:00 Poker Club 2:30 Prayer Shawl	7 9:30 Easter Egg Coloring  1:00 Bingo 2:00 Kettle Corn 2:30 Myrasized 3:30 Card Games	8 9:00 Sheepshead 9:30 Balloon Fun 10:30 Dining Committee 1:00 Bingo 2:30 Sing-a-long with Nina	9 Holy Thursday 9:00 Manicures 1:00 Bingo 3:00 Chair Yoga 6:00 Catholic Mass TBD	10 Good Friday 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Easter Presentation  1:00 Communion Service - TBD 2:30 Miracles from Heaven, the movie	11 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Dice Games 1:00 Snack Makin' 3:00 Dakim with Minnie 5:30 Easter Parade, the movie
12 Happy Easter!  8:30 Rosary 10:00 Kringle & Coffee 1:00 Shut Box 4:00 Mass TBD	13 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Information Meeting 1:00 Bowling League 1:00 Poker Club 2:30 Prayer Shawl	14 9:00 Memories in the Making 10:30 Reminisce 1:00 Bingo 2:30 Stretch Time 3:00 Root beer floats	15 9:00 Sheepshead 9:30 Balloon Fun 10:30 Basketball Throw 1:00 Birthday Bingo 3:00 Uno Card Games 3:00 Walking Club	16 9:00 Manicures 1:00 Bingo 2:15 Trivia Hour 3:00 Chair Yoga 6:00 Ava Gardner Documentary	17 9:30 Exercise 11:00 Nancy Sings 1:00 Current Events 2:30 Happy Hour Fun 6:00 Nat. Geo. Film	18 9:30 Music & Motion 10:30 Yahtzee 1:00 Tea for Two 2:00 Musical Songs 5:30 Movie and Snack
19 8:30 Rosary 9:30 Music & Motion 10:30 Word Games 1:00 Dice Games 2:00 Puzzle time	20 9:00 Foot Doctor-TBD 9:30 Exercise 1:00 Bowling League 1:00 Poker Club 3:00 Sing-a-long	21 9:00 Painting Club 10:30 Reminisce 1:00 Bingo 2:30 Myrasized 3:30 Horse Racing 5:30 Checkers Club	22 9:00 Sheepshead 9:30 Balloon Fun 10:30 Beading Fun 1:00 Red Hat Society Social 3:00 Dakim Time	23 9:00 Manicures 1:00 Bingo 2:15 Word Games 3:00 Chair Yoga 6:00 Albert Einstein Story	24 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Tall Tales 1: Current Events 2:00 Happy Hour	25 9:30 Kick Ball 10:30 Guess Who 1:00 Walking club 2:00 John Wayne Time 5:30 Movie and Snack Time
26 8:30 Rosary 10:30 Balloon Blast 1:00 Clay art w/Sharon 2:00 State Fair Musical	27 9:30 Exercise 10:30 Faith Share 1:00 Putting 3:00 Poker Club 6:00 Games w/Rojean	28 9:00 Painting Club 10:30 Reminisce 1:00 Bingo 3:30 Travel Logue/ Italy	29 9:00 Sheepshead 9:30 Balloon Fun 10:30 Craft Club 1:00 Shuffle Board 2:30 Popcorn Social	30 9:00 Manicures 1:00 Bingo 2:15 Trivia Time 3:00 Chair Yoga 5:30 Color Me Calm	<u>Anytime Activities</u> Dakim Computer Puzzle Making Libraries Internet Music	<u>Daily</u> 8:30 Mass 9:00 Coffee 10:30 General Store 4:00 Rosary 6:00 Cards