



# Welcome Mother Maureen!

Although her arrival in Enfield was delayed by a massive January snowstorm, when Mother Maureen finally set foot in our Home the welcome she received could not have been warmer. Her characteristic smile was veiled by a pink surgical mask as she greeted each Little Sister, Resident and staff member, but everyone could sense her joy and her eagerness to get to know them.

Originally from New Jersey, Mother Maureen has served in Homes all over the United States, both as a nurse and as local superior. Although this is her first time living in Connecticut, she has spent a number of years in the northeast and had visited St. Joseph's on many occasions. Mother is eager to enjoy our beautiful gardens and pond once spring arrives, but in the meantime she will be busy getting to know our Home from the inside and, most importantly, getting acquainted with all who live, work and visit here.

Mother Maureen is excited about the concurrence of two anniversaries this year — not only are we celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the Home, but she will be celebrating her golden jubilee of religious consecration in March! For Mother Maureen this anniversary is a reminder of the countless blessings she has received as a Little Sister. Although she may not be as young as she once was, Mother won't be slowing down any time soon, so be on the lookout for a bright new face radiating the joy of Christ to all around her!





## SAVE THE DATE

**HAM DROP** ACCEPTING GIFT CARDS ONLY  
Saturday, April 16

**HOME SHOW**  
Saturday/Sunday April 26 & 27

**CAR SHOW**  
Friday, June 24

**SPAGHETTI DINNER**  
Friday, September 9

**GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
Monday, October 3



# GRATITUDE AND PRAYERS FOR MOTHER GENEVIEVE

Realizing that Mother Genevieve Regina's term as superior was nearing its end, we planned a day of Thanksgiving to show her our gratitude for her many years of service here in Enfield and her various other assignments, and to acknowledge all the wonderful things that she has accomplished.

St. Joseph's Hall was decorated and arranged as a pathway where Mother was seated, surrounded by two angels from our staff — halo, wings and all! Residents from all three floors, accompanied by staff members, came down to thank her and promise her their prayers.

The third floor gathered as a group to sing the song "Smile," which did indeed bring smiles to everyone's faces, greatly enlivening the occasion. Festive refreshments, including scones and homemade cookies, were enjoyed by all.

Thank you Mother Genevieve, for all you have done for us here at St. Joseph's Home! We are so happy that you will be remaining among us and promise you our heartfelt prayers.



## FR. MCGIVNEY GARDEN DEDICATED

A perfect place was found in the garden behind the chapel where we decided to make a shrine to the recently beatified Father Michael McGivney, founder of the Knights of Columbus. He loved the poor and elderly. A generous benefactor offered to donate a statue of McGivney for our garden. After deciding where to place the statue we quickly made preparations for an outdoor shrine.

After the ground was prepared, the statue was placed on a raised pedestal and plants were planted. We had a dedication ceremony on November 7, 2021, presided by Archbishop Daniel Cronin.

Our new shrine is so beautiful and the gold of the statue can be seen by passersby shining in the sunlight.

We have begun a novena to Blessed Father McGivney for several special intentions. Please feel free to confide your own needs and intentions to him whenever you visit the Home.



## A NOTE FROM MOTHER



I arrived here in Enfield on a cold January afternoon but was given a very warm welcome by everyone at St. Joseph's Home.

Huge letters with words of welcome covered the whole reception desk and then our Resident, Lorraine, very kindly presented me with a beautiful bouquet of flowers!

That was just the beginning of many welcomes I've received here in this beautiful Home! Now I am very much 'at home'.

This year marks a real milestone for our Home as the Little Sisters and Residents moved from New Haven to Enfield 50 years ago!

We are looking forward to many special events which will take place this year as a way of thanking God for his providential care over us, and for the many generous benefactors who have sustained our mission.

Without their participation and support, and without the intercession of our good and faithful St. Joseph, we would not be here to celebrate.

Our hearts are overflowing with gratitude. Please join us in a spirit of praise and thanksgiving!

*Mother Maureen*

## Our Needs

Saint Jeanne Jugan often repeated to the first Little Sisters of the Poor "If God fills the house, he will never abandon it." Since the day Jeanne Jugan opened her heart and home to God in the person of the first elderly Resident, God has continued to provide for the needs of our Residents through the generosity of many benefactors.

### Current needs include:

Shampoo/ Mouth Wash/ Body Wash / Hand Sanitizer / Lysol Spray / Silk Flowers  
White Wash Cloths / Cookies / Crackers / K-Cups (Reg & Decaf) AA & AAA, C & D Batteries  
Gift Cards / Gift Certificates for Amazon, Walmart, Target, Kohl's, CVS, and Dollar Store Etc.

### Ways to Donate

- On our website at [www.littlesistersofthepoorconnecticut.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorconnecticut.org)  
Simply click on the TO DONATE button and follow the step-by-step prompts.
- Monthly – Request a free calendar of gift envelopes  
Call 860-265-1872
- Matching gifts at your place of employment –  
See list on our website
- Ask for envelopes when the Little Sisters visit your parish
- Wills & bequests, stock transfers, charitable gift annuities
- Amazon Smile – Connect your Amazon account to our nonprofit

### Special Giving Opportunities

**Help Us Keep the Lights On:**

<https://LSPLights.givesmart.com>

**Buy the Sisters a New Begging Van:**

<https://LSPVan.givesmart.com>

**Replace the Heating and Cooling Units:**

<https://LSPPtac.givesmart.com>