

Our Lady of Prompt Succor Nursing Facility
C'est la Vie Apartments
Newsletter ~ September 2019
A Ministry of the Marianites of Holy Cross

└ Celebration of Hope

As Marianites of Holy Cross, each year we celebrate the feast of the Holy Cross on September 14th. Our founder, Blessed Basil Moreau, taught us that the *Cross is our only hope*. Reflecting on the Cross in light of hope, how does that belief translate into words which touch our everyday experiences? Perhaps the following thoughts can offer us moments of reflection:

“Hope works in these ways:

hope looks for the good in others instead of focusing on the worst;
hope discovers what can be done instead of grumbling about what cannot;
hope regards problems, large or small, as opportunities;
hope pushes ahead when it would be easy to quit;
hope lights a candle instead of cursing the darkness.”

Since we celebrate the feast of the Holy Cross in September, we choose this month to honor our staff members who are marking a major milestone of service with us. These staff members are examples of what it means to be people of hope – who choose to look for the good, who see problems as opportunities, who push ahead in the midst of difficulties, who shed the light of hope with us by their lives of dedication and commitment. This year we are recognizing the following members of our staff:

Ten Years of Service

April Durousseau, LPN
Laqueta Mantel, CNA
Donna Pellegrin, RN
Wanda Toussaint, CNA
Kenyetta White, LPN
Brenda Young, CNA

Fifteen Years of Service

Lolita Castille, Environmental Services
Radeitre Harris, CNA
Mindy Tezeno, CNA

Forty-five years of service

Ruby Toussaint, Environmental Services

These ten members of our staff have together totaled 150 years of rendering care to our residents and families. They have shared a profound legacy of hope, love and compassion to all who have been embraced in their service. We are deeply grateful to them and we wish them an abundance of prayerful congratulations!

Season of Creation

September 1st is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation. This date marks the beginning of the Season of Creation which extends through October 4th, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. During this time, Christians throughout the world will unite in special prayer and action on behalf of all of creation. Some will do hands-on projects, some will advocate for the care of our planet.

Each of us is called to respond in some way to this endeavor. At our nursing home, we recycle paper, aluminum cans, plastics, and cardboard. The elders among us witness to the importance of recycling by bringing their own personal items to the central recycle containers placed in various places on our property. We would all do well to follow their good example in our homes, schools, and places of work.

In observance of this season of creation, we invite you to pray, to reflect on the following prayer and to ask yourself how you might best respond to this call, not only during the season of creation, but each and every day of the year. No action is too small or without relevance for our world!



A Prayer for all Creation

God of all creation, help us to see the world as it is:

To acknowledge the pains of our current reality,

That we might dare to dream of the world as it could be.

Grant us courage, O God, to transform our hopes into actions.

Like the seeds we plant today, let our intentions become the actions that will bear fruit and multiply for future generations.

Amen

☪ Celebrating Birthdays in September ☪

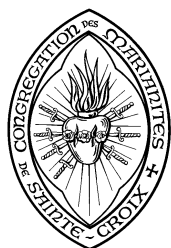
R. Botts 9/02
M. Boudreaux 9/22
P. Cloud 9/06
A. Douget 9/28

C. Guillory 9/07
Sr. D Hecker 9/23
C. Lavergne 9/13
M. Mayer 9/12

M. Rachal 9/26
A. Richard 9/23
N. Saizon 9/16
R. Suddoth 9/19
I. Tweedel 9/15

Residents Recently Deceased

Willard Andrepont 8/12/2019
June Sebastien 8/17/2019
Bertha Marks 8/25/2019



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