

Gardens Gazette

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We're almost to the finish line!

The community support for the patio & pub at The Gardens has been overwhelming, and we can't thank our supporters enough.

Gardens residents enjoyed a party on the patio and were blessed with warm weather, 46 degrees on February 25th! Stay tuned for more updates about this new gathering space and the community events we have planned for Summer 2025.



Mrs. Roper's Romp

Open to the public!

Fundraiser to support the patio and pub at The Gardens.

Friday, April 11, 2025
5 - 9 p.m.

Inn on Maritime Bay - 101 Maritime Dr., Manitowoc

We are going back in time to 1977-1979 to party with the Ropers!

TICKETS: \$20 in advance or \$25 night of event

Tickets are available to purchase at Felician Village reception desk.

OR online at felicianvillage.org/mrs-roper-s-romp.html

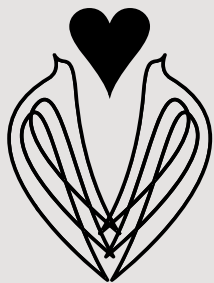
Dress in your best Mrs. Roper's gear

Wine Pull

Raffles

Music

Bingo



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BUS TRIPS

Friday, March 14

12:30 p.m.

Shopping at Pick 'n' Save or Dollar Tree*

Wednesday, March 19

1:00 p.m.

Zander's Maple Acres Maple Syrup Demonstration*

Friday, March 21

12:30 p.m.

Shopping at Aldi*

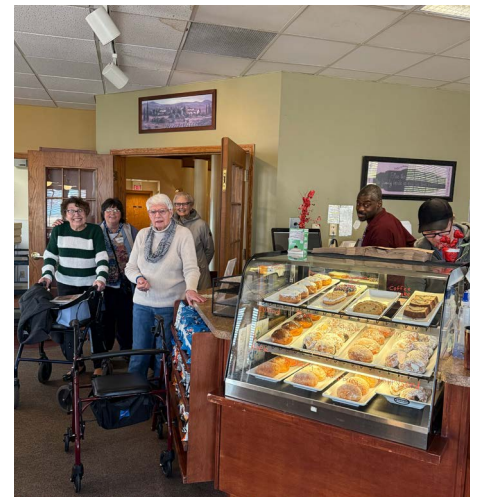
Friday, March 28

12:30 p.m.

Shopping at Meijer*

*Please sign up in the activity binder outside the Gardens offices.

*Ash Wednesday at Felician Village.
A season of penance, fasting and prayer.*



The annual tradition of Pączki Day at Felician Village on Mardi Gras, also known as Fat Tuesday!

We'd be honored if you

Nominate Felician Village!

Services

- Assisted/ Senior Living Facility
- Nursing Home
- Retirement/55+ Community

Beauty & Health

- Memory Care
- Rehab Facility

Top Employer

- Felician Village

Thank you for voting us #1 the past 15 years!



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**Saturdays at 1 p.m.
in the
St. Francis Room**

**Saturday, March 15
The Family Stone**

**Saturday, March 22
Girl with a Pearl Earring**

**Saturday, March 29
Grumpier Old Men**

**Nominate NOW through
March 24, 2025!**

Scan the QR code or visit:

<https://htrnews.gannettcontests.com/>

2025-Best-of-the-Lakeshore-Communitys-Choice-Awards/





Happy Hour at The Gardens! Thank you to HomeCare Health Services & Hospice for sponsoring the featured drink, a White Russian. Many took advantage of the drink and stated it has been a long time since they had one!
Norm Bertschy came with polka music and brought Mark Schroeder to play his tuba.



Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations



It's time to celebrate some of the exceptional people who help make Felician Village great! The Volunteer of the Year award honors a volunteer who has made a positive impact at Felician Village and exceeds our mission, vision and values. **Nominations are due March 28, 2025.**

Employees of FV are not eligible for this award.

Nomination forms are located at:

- Front Desk
- Gardens – near the mail boxes
- Café
- The Court – in front of Jeremy's office or online at, felicianvillage.org.

The 2025 Volunteer Appreciation Event will be held in Village Hall on Wednesday, April 23rd where the winner will be announced. Thank you in advance for your participation in making this a special recognition for our Volunteers!

Questions? Lauren at 920-684-7171 ext. 425 or ldaun@felicianvillage.org.

We're nearing 3,000 Likes!

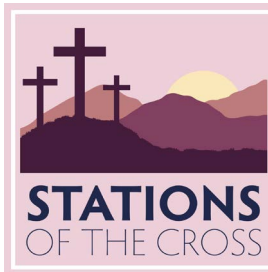
Help us reach our goal and "LIKE" the Felician Village Facebook page to stay up-to-date on news & events!



Just a reminder...

The Volunteer Appreciation Event is coming up in April. To ensure that all qualified volunteers receive an invitation please make sure that you have turned in a completed volunteer application and that you are properly logging all your volunteer hours.

If you have any questions contact Lauren at 920-684-7171 ext. 425.



**3 p.m.
Fridays
during Lent**

Blessed Angela Chapel

Friday, March 7

Friday, March 14

Friday, March 21

Friday, March 28

Friday, April 4

Friday, April 11

Valentine's Gala

This year The Gardens Valentine's Gala was not one but TWO days!

Due to the overwhelming response from previous years a gala was held on February 13 and again on February 14 to accommodate all guests.

The Felician Village culinary department went above and beyond preparing and serving a delicious meal! A special thank you to the volunteers who attended and to the members of the Clipper City Chordsmen for providing wonderful entertainment.



What was your best birthday?

95+ Club members at The Gardens met at the end of February for a bowl of soup and discussion about their best birthday. Agnes shared her 75th birthday when her family surprised her with a lobster dinner at a park was her favorite. Delores's best was her sweet 16th when her dad took her and her friends on hayride from Manitowoc to Forest Junction.



"As we grow older, the beauty of life lies in the richness of our memories."



One of the Core Values of Felician Village is Respect for Human Dignity. This value supports believing each person is made in God's image and likeness and treating everyone with the highest dignity and respect

regardless of status or position.

In the Gospels, story after story tells us how Jesus helped and healed those in need. They came from all backgrounds: fellow Jews like the man in the synagogue, the mother-in-law of Peter, Jesus' friend Lazarus, those who were not part of the Jewish tradition like the centurion's servant, the woman from Canaan, the 10 lepers, one of whom we know was "a foreigner" who thanked him. So many of the miracles don't tell us the background of the individuals healed, only that they were in need.

God created us all. God loves us all. This is where the value of Respect for Human Dignity comes from. It is the Gospel. St. Francis experienced the love of a generous, self-giving God and wished to imitate that love of God in his following of Christ. Although St. Francis is revered for his love of animals and of all creatures, his life and teachings call us to do more. In his Earlier Rule, Francis exhorts his followers to love all persons as brothers and sisters in Christ. St. Francis' love of God overflowed in his love for each person. Francis believed in the dignity of each person, depending not on a person's rank, wealth, or station in life. He sought to live among the poor and the powerless, in whom he found an image of the poor Christ.

In his Rule, Francis writes to his friars: "Whoever comes to them, friend or foe, thief or robber, let him be received with kindness.... They must rejoice when they live among people considered of little value and looked down upon, among the poor and the powerless, the sick and the lepers, and the beggars by the wayside." The friars were to serve the poor in humility. This was a testimony to the dignity the poor have as children of God and brothers and sisters in Christ.

May we also keep the dignity of each person in mind in all that we do. We have opportunities through Lent to fast and to give to charity. Here at Felician Village we can continue to support the Help for the Homeless Hygiene Drive and Operation Rice Bowl for Catholic Relief Services. Most importantly, let us pray: God of all life, help us to appreciate the great gift that is human life formed in your image, a reflection of your holiness. Help us to recognize you in all whom you have created: children not yet born, families affected by poverty and war, people of different abilities, people from other lands, and all who are victims of hatred and racism. Help us to bear witness to the dignity of all whom you have created, regardless of stage of life, or wealth, or ability, or color, or creed, for every person is fully equal in your loving eyes. Share with us your holy knowledge that we are all your children, each bestowed with inherent dignity. May your justice reign forever! Amen.

Written by Barb Spies, OFS,
Director of Mission Services and Pastoral Care

Felician Village Spring Craft & Vendor Fair

 Open to
the public

Saturday, March 29th
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Felician Village: Village Hall
1635 S. 21st Street, Manitowoc

 FREE Admission

Vendor booths, delightful food and beverages, along with a visit from the Easter Bunny, LIVE music and an Easter egg hunt that will take place between 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Most Needed Items

DENTAL CARE

Soft Toothbrushes*
Toothpaste*
Dental Floss
Denture Care
NO Mouthwash

FIRST AID

Children's Pain Meds
Pedialyte
Band-Aids
Rubbing Alcohol
Hydrogen Peroxide
Anti-Diarrheal Meds
Antacids
Antibiotic Ointment
Cold Meds
Liquid Benadryl
Sun Screen

CLEANING SUPPLIES

Laundry Soap*
Dish Soap*
Garbage Bags*
Floor Cleaner*
Bleach
Cleansers
Sponges
Disinfectant Cleaner*
Toilet Cleaner and
Brushes
Dryer Sheets
Rubber Gloves

PERSONAL CARE

Hand Soap*
Body Wash*
Bar Soap
Deodorant (unscented)*
Razors*
Shaving Cream
Cotton Balls
Q-tips
Moisturizer/Lotions
Contact Solution
Lip Balm
Hand/Foot/Body Warmer
Inserts*

BABY CARE

Diapers & Pull-Ups
(sizes 4-6)*
Wipes*
Baby Bottles
Sip Cups
Baby Lotion
Baby Shampoo
Rash Ointment

HAIR CARE

Shampoo*
Conditioner
Hair Brushes
Combs
Clips & Elastics
Style Products
Head Lice Treatment
Textured Hair Care

PAPER PRODUCTS

Toilet Tissue*
Facial Tissue
Paper Towels*
Feminine Care Pads*
Tampons*


Help for the Homeless
HYGIENE DRIVE
February 23- March 16, 2025

Learn more at TheFamily.net

Items marked with * are urgent needs

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Our Mission

To continue the healing ministry of Jesus by providing compassionate care that respects the dignity of each person we serve.

Our Vision

Our vision is to lead the community in offering seniors personalized services that are life-enriching and wellness focused.

Our Values

Respect for Human Dignity
Compassion
Transformation
Solidarity with People in Need
Justice and Peace

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