

St. Mary's Gazette



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.

Core Values

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

President & CEO

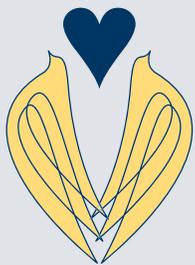
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Felician Village

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Memorial Service

At the end of January staff, families, friends, and residents came together for a Memorial Service to honor and remember the loved ones we lost between July and December of 2025. Each life remembered touched our hearts and will remain in our prayers and memories.





Felician Village Spring Craft & Vendor Fair

Saturday, April 18th
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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

Delightful food & beverages available in Village Cafe
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Easter Bunny Visit, LIVE Music & Easter Egg Hunt

February 2026

The resident newsletter of St. Mary's Home



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President's Column

Happy New Year! As we begin 2026 together, I want to take a moment to thank you for being such an important part of our community. The start of a new year offers an opportunity to reflect, renew, and look ahead with hope. There is a lot of positivity happening at Felician Village!



Over the past several months, our organization has taken meaningful steps forward on our Management Services Agreement with the Carmelite System. Our staff have completed rigorous preparation and training to ensure a seamless transition to a new electronic health records system and centered on providing a high level of care. As part of this transformation, our entire life plan community is fulling converting with the Gardens, Court and Villa transitioning from paper charts to an electronic system. While this is a significant change, it will enable our team to work more efficiently, enhance communication, and reduce paper usage, benefiting our residents, staff, organization, and the environment.

I am also proud to share that Felician Village was nominated for Large Business of the Year at the Manitowoc County Chamber of Commerce Awards of Distinction on Thursday, February 12. We are deeply grateful for this recognition, which allows us to celebrate the many successes Felician Village has recently had including but not limited to: positive financial results, 5 star CMS rating, reduction in agency staffing, community and staff dementia training, census and membership program growth, successful fundraising events and projects supporting the pub, patio and transportation efforts, CNA classes, and so much more.

Rooted in the enduring mission of the Felician Sisters, Felician Village remains committed to serving where it is needed most, responding to changing needs with compassion, and building a future where dignity, opportunity, and the common good are always placed first.

It is truly an honor to serve you and to begin this new year together.

With gratitude,

Luke J. Schubert

Luke Schubert, President/CEO



We hear about “mountaintop experiences” where an individual climbs to the peak of whatever the situation is and is able to survey everything, having achieved the pinnacle. I

have been thinking about how aiming for the highest point is not the only way to climb a mountain. I am not even sure I want to climb to the summit, which may have more to do with my stamina and fear of heights! But, either way, I perceive working to get to the peak as leading to the possibility of missing what is along the way. What would it be like, instead, to go out into the hills aimlessly, to simply wander? It's like a pilgrimage that looks around at what is before us, rather than only focusing on a specific site.

I know some people who have gone on the Camino de Santiago pilgrimage. It intrigues me because it is a pilgrimage that can be picked up at any point along the path. One does not have to do the entire pilgrimage to engage in the experience. You could start in France and walk all the way to the west coast of Spain to Santiago de Compostela. You could start in Portugal and go north to Spain. You could start on the southeast coast of Spain, the northeast coast of Spain, or anywhere along any of those pathways. There is not necessarily one way to participate in the pilgrimage. The pilgrim becomes content with their inner mystery, the beauty along the path, the sharing with other pilgrims, rather than expecting to achieve total knowledge.

As we go along our journey, especially as we enter into Lent in the middle of this month, we can treat our pilgrimage not as one that seeks a mountaintop experience, but rather a survey of the hills and pathways around us. Our ability to maintain contentment with what we can do, rather than expecting to achieve the summit allows us to find our way along the pilgrimage. Blessed Mary Angela focused on the needs of those right around her, rather than seeking some mystical communion in a different site. When we enter into Lent, may we find God along all of our pathways, through the meandering of our days, through the experiencing of what is around us.

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Director of Mission Services and Pastoral Care

In Loving Remembrance

January 2026

Gerald “Gerry” Champeau, *St. Mary's*

Georgiana Witt, *The Villa*

Leroy Werlein, *St. Mary's*

Georgianna Manlick, *St. Mary's*

Therese Noskowiak, *St. Mary's & The Court*

Father Michael Crosby, *The Court & St. Mary's*



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5 - 9 P.M.

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