

St. Mary's Gazette

St. Mary's
at
Felician Village

Celebrating Active Lifestyles



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

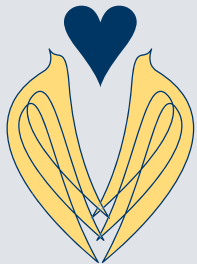
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Celebrating Seniors Week 2026

It was a fun-filled week it was across the Felician Village campus during Celebrating Seniors Week, May 11-15! This year's theme, "Living Through the Decades," brought plenty of smiles with themed dress-up days and engaging activities like decades trivia, donut day, CARDO, an employee luncheon, Mimosas and Mamas, a Fashion Show, LIVE music and so much more! All that led to so many special moments shared between employees and residents.

We're so grateful for our incredible employees whose dedication and compassion make Felician Village such a special place, and we loved celebrating the amazing residents who inspire us every day.



2026 Felician Village Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to Mike Miller, the 2026 FV Volunteer of the Year!

Over the past year, Mike has contributed more than 200 volunteer hours supporting resident activities, transportation, and special events. He always goes the extra mile to ensure residents can fully participate and feel included. Mike has built meaningful connections with residents through consistent visits, and he also honored our veterans on Veterans Day by offering a prayer and presenting pins in recognition of their service. His compassion and commitment truly reflect the spirit of Felician Village and make a lasting impact on our community.

A heartfelt thank you to Mike for his outstanding dedication to Felician Village!



What do Father Foley and Renee have in common?

The number 67!

This year marks Father Foley's 67th anniversary as a priest, and Renee celebrated her 67th birthday back in January. We'd say that's pretty special. Congratulations to Father Foley on 67 incredible years of faithful service, and cheers to Renee on another year of spreading joy to all those around her!



June 2026

The resident newsletter of St. Mary's Home



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Eagle Rescue

A severe windstorm on May 18 caused widespread damage across the Two Rivers area, including the loss of a large Bald Eagle nest containing three eaglets. One eaglet was killed in the fall, while two survived thanks to the quick actions of land-owners, Rick and Janice, and longtime nest monitors, Becky Gauthier, Felician Village Health Unit Coordinator, and her husband, Joe, who immediately contacted Wildlife Of Wisconsin (WOW). Working together, Rick and Janice, Paul, Becky and Joe, WOW volunteers, and veterinarian Dr. Joseph Sutton built a replacement nest platform in a nearby tree and successfully returned one eaglet to the site. The second eaglet is expected to be reunited with its sibling once healed. This remarkable rescue effort highlights the dedication, teamwork, and swift response of everyone involved, giving these young eagles the best possible chance at survival.



Photo credit to Abbey Hamachek, NBC 26 Neighborhood Reporter

Patio & Pub Grand Opening



After nearly two years of dreaming, planning, fundraising, and hard work, we were thrilled to officially celebrate the Grand Opening of the Pub & Patio at Felician Village! This project would not

have been possible without the incredible support of our community, from the unforgettable Mrs. Roper's Romp fundraiser, to generous grants, individual donors, passionate supporters, and countless hours of dedication behind the scenes. Thank you to everyone who helped bring this vision to life.

SOUNDS OF SUMMER

FREE OUTDOOR CONCERTS

Open to the Public

Wednesday, July 15
6 - 7 p.m.
Del Rays
(Music from the 50s, 60s & 70s)

Wednesday, September 2
6 - 7 p.m.
Bobby Darren & Sheila Marie
Country Show

The Gardens, 1700 S. 18th St., Manitowoc, WI

Food & beverages available for purchase from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

FV Gardens summer concerts sponsored by Nicolet NATIONAL BANK

Mission Message

All of the summer movies are coming. Summer reading lists are out. As we enjoy the movies and books of summer, we find ourselves immersed in the stories of others. We laugh. We get mad. We cry. We feel for those characters on the screen or in the pages of the book. And how much more do we feel those things for people we see in our world, on the news, on the streets of our cities?

One of the first things we read in Scripture is that we are all made in God's image and likeness. This aspect of our creation calls us to respect the human dignity of each person. In the papal encyclical *Pacem in Terris* (1963), Saint John XXIII wrote: "We must speak of man's rights. Man has the right to live. He has the right to bodily integrity and to the means necessary for the proper development of life, particularly food, clothing, shelter, medical care, rest, and, finally, the necessary social services."

When the Felician Sisters began serving at this ministry, then were handed the deed to the property by the Polish priest who started serving the community here, they emphasized the rights and responsibilities of everyone to care for others. As Saint John XIII continued: "In consequence, he has the right to be looked after in the event of ill health; disability stemming from his work; widowhood; old age; enforced unemployment; or whenever through no fault of his own he is deprived of the means of livelihood." The Felician Sisters, and those who continue to serve at this ministry, have offered care that respects the dignity of each person.

As we enjoy our summer entertainment, I'm hopeful that we can remember when we feel those pangs of emotion at the state of the characters we come across, that we can also experience that same empathy for those in our community and world. And may our empathy lead us to act in service to others.

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In Loving Remembrance

May 2026

Arlene Kolarik, *St. Mary's*
Patricia Stangel, *The Villa*
Donna Buchholz, *The Villa*



Car Show

Thursday, June 25
4:30 - 7 p.m.

Cars, Music, Food
& Beverages.

FREE to spectators & cars!





Felician Village Residents & Families

Join us for a special outdoor
performance from the

Clipper City Chordsmen

Wednesday, June 10
6 - 7 p.m.

The Gardens Patio

Free Popcorn!

Bistro & Wisconsin Room will be open for
normal dinner service.

Pub will be open 4 - 7 p.m. (cash bar)

*This event is reserved for Felician Village residents, families,
friends and staff. It will not be advertised to the general public.*



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