



ST. MARY'S NEWSLETTER

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Ash Wednesday Celebration

On March 5th, we all gathered in the Church for a wonderful Mass ceremony. The Residents, Day Students, and Staff received the blessed ashes in the sign of the cross!

Throughout the month, there were multiple celebrations for Station of the Cross on Wednesdays.

For Lent, some of the things that are being given up are: candy, junk food, pizza, snacking after 7pm, being angry, and many more!

March Birthdays!

Join us in celebrating the birthdays of these months!

Angie C. - March 3rd
Emily Y. - March 7th
Lori - March 21st
Jayne - March 24th
Stacey - March 25th
Tommy - March 26th



Candy Day!

On February 26th, after programming, the residents enjoyed an afternoon of candy making!

They enjoyed the chocolate fountain, making chocolate covered pretzels, Rice Krispie treats, decorating cookies with sprinkles, marshmallows, frosting, and more sweet treats for them to have.

Each resident also got a goodie bag of sweets, which they are savoring throughout the days!



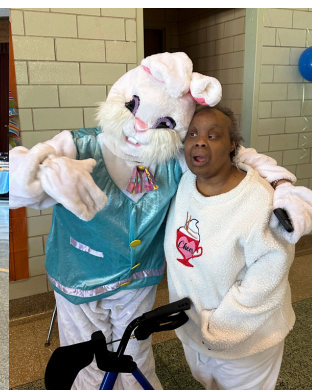
Spring has Sprung!

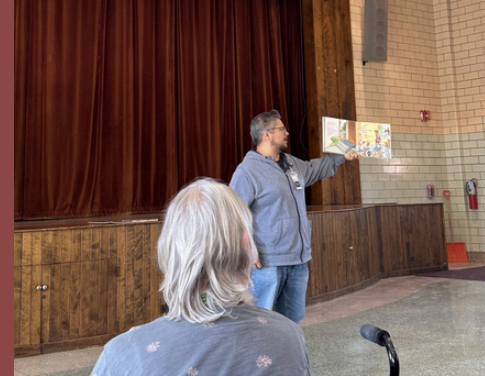
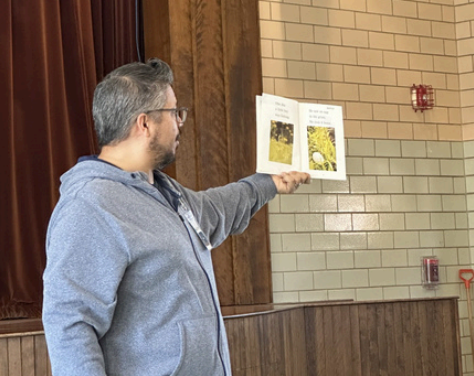
On March 22nd, we had a fantastic, memorable craft fair. We were joined by WGN News, who covered the craft fair and talked to some of our Staff and Residents about the amazing work that they do -- also highlighting St. Mary's as a whole. It was a joyful experience that will be remembered for a long time!

Thank you to all of the independent vendors and the Easter Bunny that also joined us!

QUESTION OF THE MONTH WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE HOLIDAY TO CELEBRATE?

- "St. Patrick's Day!" - Charlotte
- "Christmas!" - Michelle B.
- "Valentine's Day!" - Noreen
- "Valentine's Day!" - Josephine
- "Christmas!" - Colleen
- "St. Patrick's Day!" - Ruthie
- "Christmas!" - Lydia
- "Easter!" - Mary Ann
- "St. Patrick's Day!" - Gabriella





March Storytime!

On March 12th, we were excited to see Mr. Omar from the library once again, very thankful every single time he comes to visit and read us stories.

He read us stories about animals, but more specifically DUCKS! Then, we completed a cute duck craft, making our own little friends!

We wanted to further thank WGN's Jewell Hillery for coming and highlighting the amazing work of the Residents, Day Students, and our Art Teacher LeeAnn for all of the work they put into every single piece of artwork that is made. The article also showcased the beauty of St. Mary's and helping get the word out!

Josephine, Charlotte, and Anna M. had the wonderful opportunity to talk with Jewell and show off some of their talents for the Chicagoland area to witness.

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/other/st-mary-of-providence-showcases-residents-art-to-raise-funds-inspire-others/ar-AA1Bt0gg?ocid=BingNewsSerp>



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