



Mission Impossible?

It was a covert operation involving hush-hush meetings and clandestine planning sessions with co-conspirators that included Residents, staff, benefactors, AJJ and, of course, leading the charge, the community of Little Sisters.

What was this top-secret mission? Mother Mary Richard's 50th Jubilee reception!

Mother seems to spend her days, nights and every moment in between working, thinking about and waiting on our beloved Residents.

She is also the go-to person for every concern, project and situation concerning the staff, benefactors and her Little Sisters. She moves through the Home answering a million questions, while on her way to endless meetings – always with a smile on her face.

She manages crises with a cool hand and a gentle voice.

To surprise Mother Mary Richard on her special day was a challenge to say the least.

The celebration began on Friday, August 21, with the arrival of her brother and sister-in-law from Kingston, NY, and an afternoon gathering at which her Little Sisters offered their good wishes.

After Evening Prayer, she was presented with bouquets of flowers and heartfelt wishes from the Residents in their dining rooms.

On Saturday, the festivities began with a beautiful Mass of Thanksgiving, celebrated by Father Jonathan Erdman and

several of our priest friends.

A group of Little Sisters from Indianapolis were among those who filled the chapel, including Mother Maria Christine Joseph.

She had entered the Congregation at the same time as Mother Mary Richard and their paths had frequently crossed over the last 50 years. They never imagined that they would be celebrating this milestone together!

After Mass, a delicious dinner, provided by our generous benefactors and prepared by our skillful cooks, was served to the Residents as Mother Mary Richard presented them and our staff members with a small gift to commemorate the occasion.

She then joined her guests and all the Little Sisters in the beautifully decorated auditorium for a special celebratory meal.

The day would not have been complete without offering Mother a musical tribute at the long-awaited moment of the reception.

The Residents, staff, and Little Sisters outdid themselves in presenting a memorable variety show led off by a “drumming circle,” and yes, it was truly a surprise!

Later, the celebration of Evening Prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament enabled Mother and all of us to close the day in the spirit of her chosen theme from Psalm 89: “Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord!”



Little Sisters State Fair IS Always a Great Fair

The Little Sisters State Fair resembles a mini-Kentucky State Fair with games, fair food, contests, animals and even a cake baking contest. The Residents love it!

Thank you to all the staff, volunteers and supporters of the event, especially our own Activities Department!



Street Rod Nationals Welcome the Little Sisters

The Little Sisters have been very creative in finding avenues to sell the 1,500 Top Down Classic Cruiser Raffle Tickets, needed to replace the boilers in the Home.

Recently, we were allowed to showcase the cars at the 2026 NSRA Street Rod Nationals, right here in Louisville.

The generosity of this organization was amazing and

after 57 years of putting on this event it ran like a well-oiled machine. We are so grateful to the organizers for their kindness.

When not being showcased at other venues, the Mustang can be found in the showroom of Byerly Ford 4041 Dixie Highway.

Thank you, Byerly Ford Family, for your support.

Boiler Prayers

Let's back up to November 2025.

The maintenance director stops by the development office and mentions that the boilers for St. Joseph's Home are literally on their last legs.

The vision of dollar signs hung in the air as she walked away.

What do the Little Sisters always say? "Take it to prayer and ask St. Joseph for guidance."

Fast forward a couple of weeks, when some long-time benefactors, Adam & Mary Lee Burckle, stopped by to drop off a gift and asked a question ... "Would the Little Sisters like a car?"

The reply was a resounding, "absolutely!"

We would never have dreamed in that moment that the car would be a rotisserie restored 1966 Ford Mustang!

Could this be a providential answer



to our boiler prayers?

The Burckles left, leaving instructions to call in February, as the car was still being restored.

When February arrived, the call was made, "Were you serious about donating a car to the Little Sisters?"

The answer came with an astounding, "yes! I am going to donate two cars. That should take care of getting new boilers for St. Joseph's Home."

We were awestruck!

The details were straightforward: Sell 1,500 tickets at \$100 each and

new boilers are a reality.

That's a 1/750 chance of winning since there are two opportunities to win.

At the first drawing, the winner gets to choose between a rotisserie restored 1966 Ford Mustang 289-ci or a rotisserie restored 1962 MG MGB. Both cars are convertibles.

The winner of the second drawing gets the remaining car.

The drawing will take place at the Rock'n & Roll'n with the Little Sisters event on October 17.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with Momma's BBQ starting at 6 p.m. Music by the Uptown Band starts at 7 p.m.

With YOU, we will reach our goal of selling 1,500 tickets and replacing the boilers before winter sets in this year! As always, thank you for your support.



**Little Sisters
of the Poor**

Rock'n & Roll'n with the Little Sisters October 17, 2026

Appearing

Uptown Band

Momma's, Mustard, Pickles & BBQ

Elvis Impersonator - Jonathan Maxwell Gilbert

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Event Tickets \$50.00

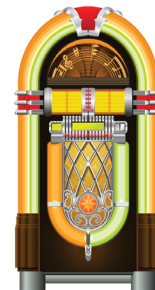
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Drawing

Night of the Event

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1962 Rotisserie Restored MG MGB
Manual/Convertible

**Proceeds from the Top Down Classic Cruiser Raffle WILL cover the cost of
NEW Boilers for St. Joseph's Home. Now that's Providential!**

MOTHER'S MUSINGS

Here at St. Joseph's Home, we are still living in the afterglow of the celebrations mentioned in these pages of our newsletter.

My golden jubilee celebration on August 22 gave me the occasion to thank the Lord for his many graces over these last 50 years as a Little Sister and to thank all who have supported me, especially by their prayers, over these years and who continue to support our Home in so many ways.

The month of August is always an occasion to focus on the one whom the Lord used to set our worldwide mission in motion – Saint Jeanne Jugan, whose feast day is celebrated on August 30th.

This year's celebration included a "Triple J Giveaway" (Jeanne-Jugan-Jubilee) where Residents received tickets to a "sale" of donated items of all kinds, while sundaes were served in the ice cream parlor.

On the feast day itself, Father Zachary Sexton, OP, celebrated a solemn Mass and stayed afterward to bless those assembled with the first-class relic of St. Jeanne Jugan.

In the afternoon, a video tour of our motherhouse was enjoyed by a gathering of Residents, Jeanne Jugan Associates and Little Sisters, followed by some special treats.

Unfortunately, one of our Homes was not able to celebrate the feast like we were.

You who read this newsletter have always been very responsive to the "wish lists" we include in every issue. This time, however, we are "wishing" for something far more urgent – that is, help for our Little Sisters and Residents in Colombia.

Our Home in Cali was devastated by the magnitude 7.4 earthquake which caused widespread destruction in the country on August 10.

Miraculously, all 65 Residents (who, incidentally, were gathered in prayer at the time) and the Little Sisters survived.

The Home is now uninhabitable and the province of Colombia will need a great deal of aid going forward. (If you are able to help, please see below).

Thanks to all of you who participate in one way or another in the "wave of charity" begun by the Lord through St. Jeanne Jugan. We count on your prayers, especially for vocations to follow in her footsteps, and assure you of our prayers for all your special needs.

God bless you,

Mother Mary Richard



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Prayers and Help for Little Sisters Home in Cali

If you would like to help the Little Sisters and Residents in Cali, you can send a check (Please mark in the memo "Cali") to our Home in Louisville or go online to donate. We will make sure your donations get to the Little Sisters on the front lines of this disaster.



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