

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

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Summer 2018

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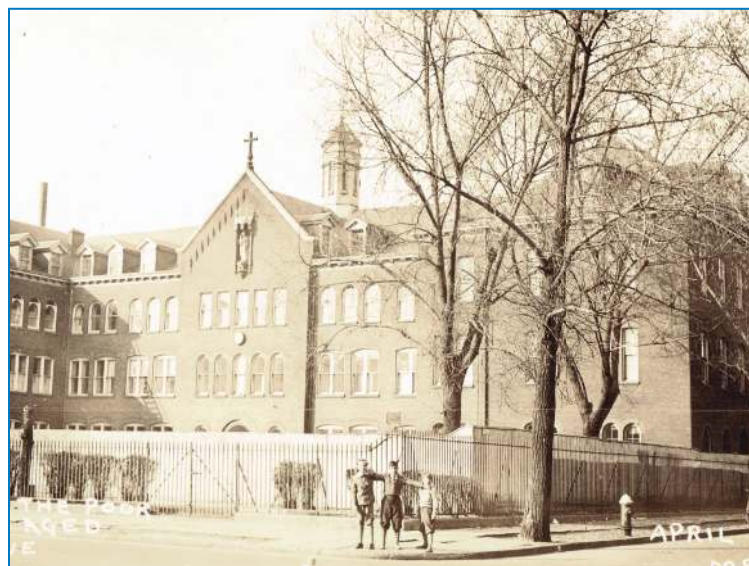
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Celebrating One Hundred and Fifty Years in America

This is a special year marking the arrival of the Little Sisters of the Poor in the United States. The charisma of caring, originally established in 1839 in France, has now spread across the world in over 30 countries, and hundreds of homes. Beginning with Saint Jeanne Jugan, who pioneered the tradition of helping the aged poor by opening her home and heart to a sick older woman; up sprang a Congregation which has impacted thousands of lives for the better and preserved a mission of compassion and generosity.

150 years ago this year, a small group of seven Little Sisters of the Poor left their native France to accept the challenge of helping the aged poor in the United States of America. Like all American pioneers, the Sisters faced many challenges on their journey, however, their focus and mission of helping the aged poor has continued to grow and inspire after more than a century of service.

The mission, originally inspired by Saint Jeanne Jugan, is still alive and well today in the hearts and minds of thousands of Sisters and countless staff and volunteers worldwide who have collaborated to care for the aged poor. This thought is a consistent inspiration and reassurance in the journey of improving the lives of those in need.



The original Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor on DeKalb Ave. in Brooklyn as it was in 1934.

Three Homes were almost simultaneously founded in the United States in 1868 and these formed the core of what are now the American provinces of Brooklyn, Chicago, and Baltimore.

The first missionary group arrived in America on September 13, 1868. Two days later, with the enthusiastic support of such friends as Bishop Loughlin and the Paulist Fathers, the Sisters, led by Sr. Henrietta Joseph, moved into their new Home on DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn. Then and there began the work of the Little Sisters in America.

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2018 – Little Sisters of the Poor – Mullen Home – Begins 101 Years in Denver

After recently celebrating our own 100th anniversary at Mullen Home in Denver, the reminder of the Little Sister's landing in the United States 150 years ago rekindles and refocuses our own service and dedication. Below, enjoy a few memorable highlights from the first months of 2018!

"The Spirit is Alive with the Risen Christ making a difference in the world today!"

New AJJ Members – April 29



Nine new members of the Association Jeanne Jugan were welcomed. Associates commit themselves to serve the Lord and the elderly with joy and love by following the example of humility and confidence left to us by Jeanne Jugan. The Mullen Home is blessed with 39 Associates and worldwide, there are over 2300 members.

Outdoor Stations of the Cross – Good Friday April 30



Over 100 people joined the Little sisters of the Poor and Residents on the property of Mullen Home to pray the Stations of the Cross.

Happy 100th Birthday – March 9



B.Brandt recently celebrated her 100th Birthday!

Sr. Mary Emilie's Golden Jubilee – April 28



Catheryn Palmere and Daughter Liz Germain present flowers to Sr. Mary Emilie in honor of her Golden Jubilee

Sr. Mary Emilie reflects, "Through fifty years of service to our Lord, serving both him and the elderly poor, I have surrendered to the Lord's call to follow this journey."

"It is a great grace God has given me in calling me to serve the poor." – Saint Jeanne Jugan

Rock-n-Roll with the Residents – March 8



Recently, Residents participated in a 50s style dance party thanks to the Regis University pharmacy students.



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The original convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor in Brooklyn as shown in 1934.

On October 14, 1868, the first Little Sisters arrived in Cincinnati, to be welcomed by the Sisters of Notre Dame. Four months later, in February, they moved into a Home at 2024 Florence Ave. which was donated to them by Archbishop Purcell. The Florence Avenue Home was once part of the Sisters' Baltimore province before the construction of a new Home in 1972.

Then on December 19, 1868, the Sisters arrived in New Orleans where a Home awaited them at 1501 North Johnson Street. The Home in New Orleans was once a part of the Chicago province, but eventually transferred to the Baltimore province; it was later closed due to structural issues.

For a directory of all of the current Homes in the United States and worldwide, please see the Little Sisters of the Poor national website at <http://www.littlesistersofthepoor.org/locations/u-s-homes/>.

Please Help Support Our Mission!

Medicare, Medicaid, and other retirement benefits cover **only 59%** of our operating expenses toward providing a safe and comfortable home for our Residents. Your help can make a difference in the lives of so many!

Please consider becoming a donor today. We have several different ways to give. For more information, please visit our website's donation page at: <http://www.littlesistersofthepoordenver.org/donations/> or contact our Development Office at **(303) 433-7221**

From the Archives...Looking forward to the Summer!



1950s – Residents enjoy a cold drink before trying out the new Jacobson 21 – Queen Lawn Mower!

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www.littlesistersofthepoordenver.org

- Make donations
- Submit prayer requests
 - Read our blog
 - Volunteer
- Read the history of Mullen Home
- Check out our employment opportunities
- Enjoy a colorful presentation of the work and mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor

Your privacy is important to us. The information you share with us remains in our office. The Little Sisters of the Poor have a policy to never sell, rent, or give your information to anyone. Thank you for sharing with us as we count on your generosity. Without your collaboration, we could never continue our **mission to the needy elderly**.

A Simple Note

By: Sister Patricia Mary



Dear Friends,

On the front page of our newsletter we are highlighting 150 years since the Little Sisters' arrived in America! It is not only a celebration but a time for Thanksgiving. These first Little Sisters in America brought with them the spirit and charism of the Mother foundress, Saint Jeanne Jugan – love, respect, care, and compassion for the elderly, a vision of family extending beyond Sisters and Residents, to include volunteers and benefactors. She believed that because God is our Father, all men and women are brothers and sisters — members of one family — and thus responsible for one another. Today our dedicated staff is also an important part of our Home.

THANK YOU, our readers, for being part of this family and helping to provide for the needs of Mullen Home. You are a valuable part of our mission! We would also like to ask you to pray with us for an increase of vocations — followers of Saint Jeanne Jugan who will provide for needs of the elderly throughout the world. Today we all have the “precious task of helping the older members of the community to turn their later years into a time of fulfillment and completion” (Pope John Paul II)!

We are in the midst of the changing of the seasons here in Denver: snow seen only on the mountain tops — highlighting beauty, warmth and continued sunshine, blossoms and flowers in abundance — we are reminded of how all things change and yet some remain the same — the Lord, the Giver of all good gifts. Let us daily turn to him in thanksgiving for his love, mercy and kindness.

Many of you have already turned your raffle tickets in for our July 4th raffle, but it is not too late to do so. The lucky winners will be drawn and notified during our July 4th picnic.

Please check out our website for updates, events, and general information on all the happenings here at Mullen Home.

Wishing you all a joyous and jubilant summer! Rejoice in the Lord always!

God bless you,
Sr. Patricia Mary

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July 4th Raffle Drawing July 4 12:30 p.m. Mullen Home

(You need not be present to win.)

CASH PRIZES!!!

FIRST PLACE WINNER - \$7,500
SECOND PLACE WINNER - \$4,500
THIRD PLACE WINNER - \$3,000

Purchase your tickets now!
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For additional tickets, please call 303-433-7221, ext. 127.