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Jeanne Jugan Residence, San Pedro, CA

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WE HAVE A SAINT!

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On October 11, 2009 Jeanne Jugan, our Foundress, was recognized as a saint of the Roman Catholic Church. The 12 official delegates and 5 supporters from our area made a journey of a lifetime! They joined throngs of other pilgrims representing each home in the Congregation—over 200 homes in 32 countries—for the long awaited day.

In addition to the canonization ceremony itself, the pilgrims had a full schedule in the eternal city, with liturgical celebrations in each of Rome's major basilicas and tours of the city on foot and by bus. A major highlight was a visit to the Little Sisters' home in Rome, where pilgrims of all nationalities mingled with the local Little Sisters and Residents, as well as Mother General Celine de la Visitation and her council.

Back in San Pedro, at the early hour of 1 a.m. on October 11th, the Little Sisters and many Residents came together to watch the live broadcast of the canonization ceremony from Rome. Even though it was being recorded for later viewing, many were filled with such joyful anticipation that the early time did not matter.

On the morning of the canonization we were honored to have Bishop Joe Sartoris celebrate the Eucharistic Liturgy here in our Chapel. Our Residents were pleased to be joined by so many friends and supporters for this special Mass.

After Mass and a delicious noon meal, everyone gathered in the auditorium where the canonization ceremony was played and replayed on a large screen TV. People came and went throughout the afternoon to share in the excitement and enjoy an ongoing buffet of food. The room was energized as everyone celebrated Jeanne Jugan's recognition and introduction to the whole world as a saint.



Below the banner of St. Jeanne Jugan, Pope Benedict XVI welcomes thousands of pilgrims in St. Peter's Square after the canonization. (Photo by John Freenan. Banner image of St. Jeanne Jugan by Dina Bellotti.)

Our Archdiocesan celebration of St. Jeanne Jugan took place on the Feast of Christ the King, Nov. 21st. The Little Sisters gathered with our Residents, families, benefactors, and many priests and religious to pray with His Eminence Cardinal Roger Mahony and four Auxiliary Bishops. Our guests filled Mary Star of the Sea Church to capacity. The combined choirs of Holy Trinity, Mary Star and St. John Fisher along with the brass ensemble added a remarkable beauty to the occasion. A joyful reception followed Mass in the Mary Star Auditorium.

Please enjoy our photos on page 2 and 3 of this issue.



Saint Jeanne Jugan... a Living Source of Hope for the Elderly.

Pope Benedict XVI

Our Pilgrims in Rome



LAX - Bound for Rome



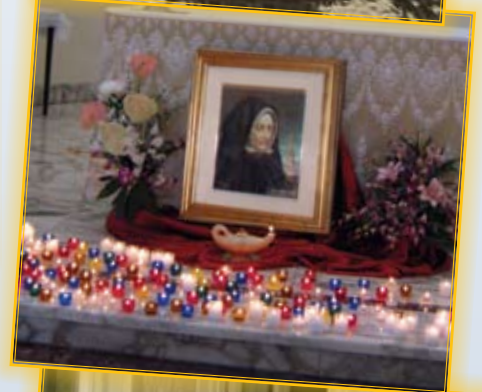
Dr. Edward Gatz, recipient of the miracle for Jeanne Jugan's canonization is greeted by Little Sisters from the United States and Inez David, Resident from San Pedro.



Gathering in St. Peter's Square to celebrate the Canonization Mass: Mary Winzen and Janice Kelly. Barbara West and Jean Pytel. Rita and Don Swartz.



After a special Mass in the Basilica of St. John Lateran, Sr. Janette Agnes, Mother Marguerite, Clara Ann Hawkes, and Cristi Corpus pause near the picture of St. Jeanne Jugan.



Alexis Ulrich, Inez David, and Sr. Fintan appreciate the opportunity to rest after a day of walking on the cobblestone streets of Rome.

A visit to the Little Sisters' Home in Rome. A view from the rooftop terrace of the garden below which centers on a statue of St. Joseph. Many lit candles before the image of St. Jeanne Jugan in the Chapel. Mother General Celine greeted delegations from around the world.

"We must always say: 'Blessed be God. Thank you, my God. Glory be to God.'" St. Jeanne Jugan

Our Local Mass of Celebration Followed by a Reception.

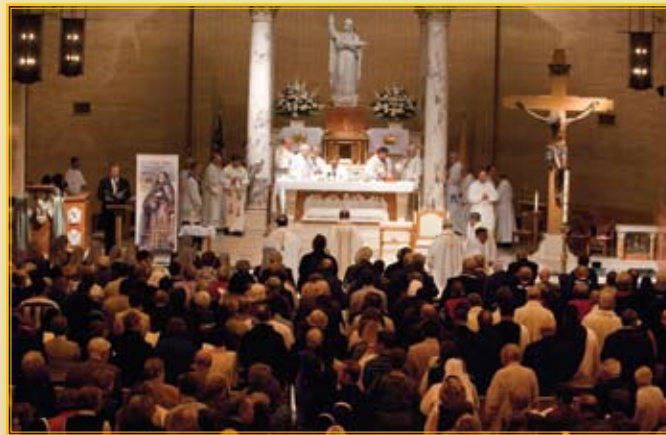


Left: We are most grateful to those who participated in the Mass Processional, including sixteen local priests, the Sovereign Order of Malta, the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, the Knights of Columbus, and thirteen Little Sisters of the Poor.

Right: The reception followed Mass in the Mary Star Auditorium.



Below: The traditional begging basket was presented by Sr. Winefrid, the collecting Little Sister in Los Angeles, 1964-1987, Brother George Joseph Tecku, O.H. (Prior, Los Angeles Community), and Ramiro Vega, an employee of the Home for 37 yrs.



Center Below: The main celebrant was His Eminence, Cardinal Roger Mahony (middle). Four regional Bishops also concelebrated Mass. (L to R) They were Most Rev. Oscar A. Solis, Most Rev. Edward Wm. Clark, Most Rev. Joseph Sartoris, and Most Rev. Alexander Salazar.



Our Residents were grateful to have personal guides and excellent seating.



Guests enjoyed appetizers, pasta selections, and desserts. A statue of St. Jeanne Jugan and an exhibit on her life were much appreciated attractions.



*With gratitude to David Nicholson
Photography for local celebration photos!*

Heat & Hot Water System Replacement

Replacing our heating and hot water system became an emergency project in late 2009. Our thirty year old boilers and hot water tank were beyond repair. One boiler had already failed while the remainder did double duty. The project took on added urgency when the hot water tank sprung a leak.

Heat is a critical factor to the comfort of the elderly Residents. Because the Home is located so near the ocean the climate is cool and the boilers run year around. Hot water circulates throughout the Home in a continuous-flow system providing heat for the radiators and hot water for the sinks and restrooms.

The new system is operating successfully with the final backup unit soon to be installed. Overall the system offers lower energy consumption, greater temperature control, and lower emissions for improved air quality.

The Little Sisters have raised \$187,000 toward the budget of \$250,000. Because this expense is beyond normal operating costs, your support is greatly appreciated. *Please help the Little Sisters by making a donation.*



Above: two new water heaters.
Below: two new hot water tanks.

Welcome Mother Paul



Mother Paul recieved a warm hug of welcome from Mary Joe Neiger, an AJJ member, during her December 23rd welcome party. Mother Paul comes to us from Denver, Colorado where she was the Mother Superior of Sacred Heart Home. She is originally from Ohio and has served in all three of the U.S. Provinces.

Mother Paul, welcome to San Pedro! We assure you of our prayers and support. It is a joy for us to share with you in your mission of service to God's elderly poor.

Auxiliary Installs New Officers



Congratulations to the New Officers for 2010

Front: Judy Rollins Co 1st Vice Pres.
Peggy DiLeva President
Maria Smith President Elect
Christine McNeerney. Co 1st Vice Pres.
Back: Alberta Gill 2nd Vice Pres.
Mary Jean Salcido Treasurer
Betty Zuliani Recording Sec.
Irene Almeida Corresponding Sec.

Auxiliary Event is Sunday, June 27th

The Auxiliary announces it will host its 13th Annual fundraising event at the prized Officers' Club and Ballroom, "Erharts' by the Sea" located in the heart of Fort MacArthur Air Force Base in San Pedro.



Soliciting Auction Items

Items for the Live and Silent Auction are still being solicited. If you can help, please call 310-548-0625 to make a contribution.

Vacations & Condos	Weekend Getaway
Air / Water Rides	Food, Wine, Restaurants
Entertainment	Theater/Movies/Concerts
Sports/Theme Parks	Spa Days
Art and Jewelry	Memorabilia, and more.

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