



St. Joseph House of Hospitality

ST. JOSEPH HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY

FROM the PORCH

Easter Newsletter 2018

St. Joseph House of Hospitality is a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh

Residents Benefit from Time with Hoopsters, Seminarians, and an Intern

PITT Women's Basketball Team Visits St. Joe's



Left: St. Joe resident Dale Seng shares his story with the varsity hoopsters.

Right: One of the basketball coaches provided the guitar and vocals as St. Joe resident James Mosley gets his groove on with one of the athletes.

Local basketball legend Suzie McConnell is head coach of the women's basketball team at the University of Pittsburgh, and coincidentally, a relative of one of the Sisters of Charity who live on the top floor of St. Joseph House. They teamed up to bring the Pitt basketball players to St. Joe's for an afternoon of music, singing, dancing, and fun. Our residents even received autographed posters and basketballs as parting gifts. †



Seminarians' Immersion Experience at St. Joe's

For the last three years, the Archdiocese of Philadelphia has sent four seminarians to the Diocese of Pittsburgh for a month as part of their Spiritual Formation Year. This year two seminarians were sent to St. Joseph House of Hospitality and two to Maguire Memorial. It is considered an immersion

experience where the seminarians literally live with the residents of these programs and serve them in various capacities.

Pictured above left to right are Daniel Rice, Joseph Jacobeen, Joseph Bui, and Eric Tamney. Daniel and Eric were assigned to St. Joe's and Joseph J. and Joseph B. to Maguire Memorial. Daniel and Eric shared a room on the third floor of St.

Joe's and fully participated in our community, including serving meals, leading Bible studies, and sponsoring game nights and movie nights. They were even instrumental in helping a man who was living on the streets to learn about St. Joe's. They talked him into coming for an intake interview and he moved in two days before they returned to Philadelphia. On their last day in Pittsburgh, all four seminarians spent time in fellowship with the men at St. Joe's. †

California University of PA Intern Offers Support



Every semester, St. Joseph House benefits from the contributions of student internships. This year California University of Pennsylvania has sent us Janet O'Malley, a student in their Master's in Social Work program. Under supervision, Janet provides a variety of support services to many residents as she is doing here with Art Gearhart. †



Happy Easter from the staff and residents of St. Joe's.

Donation Wish List

St. Joe's is in need of various personal items for our residents. To donate any of the following items, please contact our Housekeeper Mary Moran at 412-471-0666 or mmoran2@ccpgh.org.

deodorant	comforters (twin)
hand lotion	pillows
hand sanitizer	pillow cases
lip balm	sheet sets (twin regular)
Kleenex tissues	hand towels
shaving gel	large towels
men's briefs, sizes medium-2X	wash cloths
men's boxers, sizes medium-XL	laundry soap
white t-shirts, sizes medium-5X	dryer sheets
flip flops	
shower shoes	
tennis shoes, sizes 10 ½-15	

Thank You!



20th Annual St. Joseph House of Hospitality BLUEGRASS BENEFIT CONCERT



Featuring
Allegheny Drifters
Black Diamond
Echo Valley
Fern Hollow
Lonesome Lost & Foggy

Emcee
Bruce Mountjoy, WYEP 91.3 FM

Friday, APRIL 27, 2018

7:00 pm Synod Hall, 125 N. Craig Street, Oakland.

5:45 pm Pre-concert beer sampling from the microbrewery of Rivertowne

Ticket Donation: \$20

Benefits St. Joseph House of Hospitality, a residential facility for homeless men 50+, a program of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, serving all regardless of religious affiliation at their time of great need.

Tickets & Information: 412-471-0666



Remembering St. Joe's in Your Estate Plans

The work at St. Joe's is vital to our community, a necessity for those men who would otherwise be neglected and forgotten. Our work can only continue with the generous support from donors like you.

A popular and successful means of giving is to remember St. Joe's in your Will. It can be as simple as including the following language:

"I give to St. Joseph House of Hospitality the sum of \$ _____ to be used for the work and mission of St. Joseph House of Hospitality whose address is 1635 Bedford Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219."

To learn more about other giving options, contact Catholic Charities Director of Giving and Stewardship Richard Curtis, 412-456-6912 or rcurtis@ccpgh.org.



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Susan Rauscher, *Executive Director*

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To empower older homeless men to progress towards self-sufficiency through an active residential community.

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