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# Hilltop Highlights

## GETTING TO KNOW IRENE OESTERLE

**Started at MAP:** December 2021

**Job Title:** Director of Resident Care

**Lives In:** West View Borough

**Family:** I am single, but I have very close family members and friends. My pets are a couple of guinea pigs named Mannie and Mochie.

**Hobbies:** My main hobbies are watercolor painting and quilting.

**Can't Live Without:** Coffee



**Celebrity Crush:** Brendan Fraser

**Dream Trip:** I would love to do a tour of the art museums in New York City or take a trip to one of the national parks.

**Wishes She Could Have**

**Dinner With:** I would love to have dinner with author Zora Neale Hurston (1891-1960). She had such an authentic voice.

**Enjoys Working with Seniors**

**Because:** There is never a boring day, and they have the best stories.

**People Might Be Surprised to**

**Know:** I'm an excellent driver.

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Sixth-grade students at The Saint Constantine School in Houston make observations about pond life during science class.

## Christian School Bringing Pittsburgh Campus to MAP

**W**e are pleased to announce that The Saint Constantine School — an Orthodox Christian school for students in kindergarten through 12th grade — will establish a Pittsburgh-area campus on our grounds this year, with plans to welcome students for the 2024-2025 school term this fall.

The school will occupy the first floor of the former convent building, as well as the first and second floors of the former Mount Assisi Academy high school building. Over the coming months, renovations to these areas will be underway, including establishing dedicated entrances that will ensure the comfort and security of our Residents and the school's students.

Established in Houston in 2016, Saint Constantine provides a rigorous, engaging education so that students grow in virtue, wisdom and joy. The average class size is 12 with a 9-to-1 faculty-to-student ratio. Enrollment for the fall is already underway.

The Pittsburgh school will be Saint Constantine's first branch campus. With focus on classical, Christian education, the program has deep appreciation for the history and heritage of our buildings and for the religious environment that our Residents hold dear.

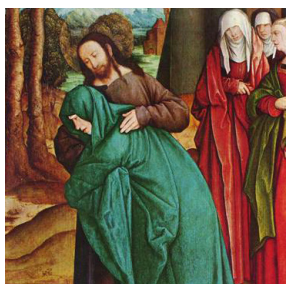
The school's presence will not impact the daily lives of our Residents, as students and faculty will come and go through dedicated entrances. Still, these young people will bring a new vibrant energy to our complex, along with unique opportunities for intergenerational service projects and events.

We ask for your patience and cooperation as we move some of our administration functions to new office locations, reconfigure storage spaces, and undertake important physical work in our buildings. We will make every effort to communicate updated information with you throughout the process. To learn more about the school, visit [Pittsburgh.SaintConstantine.org](http://Pittsburgh.SaintConstantine.org).

## Please Join Us for Holy Week Services

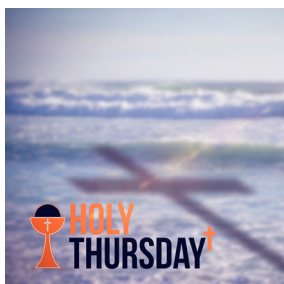
Residents, employees and family members are welcome to attend spiritual gatherings throughout Holy Week in our Main Chapel

**Wednesday,  
March 27**



**Parting Service**  
Reenacting Jesus' Farewell to Mary  
6:15 p.m.

**Holy Thursday,  
March 28**



**Holy Thursday Mass**  
Celebrated by the Rev. Don Buchleitner  
7 p.m.

**Good Friday,  
March 29**



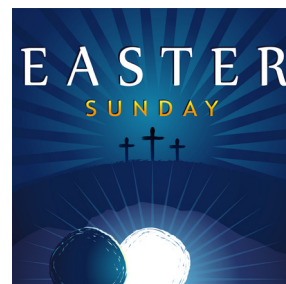
**Good Friday Service**  
Celebrated by the Rev. Dennis Klemash  
2 p.m.

**Holy Saturday,  
March 30**



**Easter Vigil**  
Celebrated by the Rev. John Bachkay  
6:30 p.m.

**Easter Sunday,  
March 31**



**Easter Morning Mass**  
Celebrated by the Rev. Al Semler  
9 a.m.

### OUR MENU FOR EASTER DINNER

Baked Ham  
Roasted Turkey  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Asparagus  
Waldorf Salad  
Lemon Cake







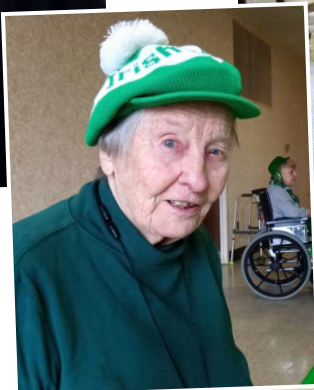
When the Duquesne Dukes earned their first NCAA basketball tournament berth in 47 years, the excitement wasn't lost on Betty Oberst and her daughter, Diane. Not only are both alums of the former Mount Assisi Academy, but they also attended Duquesne!



We never miss a St. Patrick's Day celebration around here! Above, Residents Maryann McClain and Betty Donovan enjoy the fun and regalia during our Irish-themed luncheon on March 15.



Sister Barbara Ann Lengvarsky gets into the spirit of our Mardi Gras celebration on February 13.



Jean Capets celebrates her Irish heritage on March 15.



Mischief-makers stick together, it seems, as aide Carolyn Klingensmith and volunteer Sam Rice make fast friends with our friendly neighborhood leprechaun on March 15.

**HAPPY EASTER**



Back on February 13, Charles Goetz and Connie McKee were named our 2024 Mardi Gras king and queen during a fun-filled Fat Tuesday party.



Diane Cantella and Susan Parey (Class of 1975) were among the alumni of the former Mount Assisi Academy who pitched in to clean and condition the furnishings in our Main Chapel on March 11 and 12.



**Art in Bloom**

As passionate as our Residents are about Poetry Club, many may add a new creative joy to their list! Thanks to our friends at Monarch Hospice for hosting a unique no-experience-necessary painting workshop on March 12. Below, Rita Hirschfield and Ruth Ann Ondo show off their works of art.

**WELCOME HOME**

Please help us extend a warm welcome to our newest Residents, who joined us since the last issue of Hilltop Highlights.



**Rita Hirschfield**  
Marian Hall



**Betty McGlaughlin**  
Marian Hall



**Josephine Ogden**  
Marian Hall

