THE VILLAGE
AT INCARNATE WORD

THE VIEW

A Publication for Residents, Staff, Families, and Friends of
The Village at Incarnate Word



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FALL 2026



LEGACY OF *service*

A Message from our CEO,
Le Roy Fields Campbell

Dear Residents, Families, and Friends,

At The Village at Incarnate Word, a legacy of service is built through everyday acts of love. Rooted in the Sisters' commitment to extending the healing ministry of Jesus Christ, our legacy lives through our staff and the personal connections that give our work meaning. A deeper meaning in how we care, the compassion we have and the service we provide.

The Hebrew word yada, meaning "to know," invites us to reflect on how knowing those we serve brings out the best in how we serve. Knowing each resident and Sister — their stories, traditions, preferences, and what brings them comfort — helps us offer care that reflects who they are. A familiar greeting, a favorite song, or remembering a special occasion expresses that connection. Every department nurtures this belonging. Through compassion and dedication, we bring our mission to life, helping each person feel known, valued, and loved. That personal service is the heart of our legacy.

This season, we recognize our tenured employees celebrating milestone anniversaries (listed to the right). Congratulations, all! Your dedication provides comfort, continuity, and inspiration. You display the values of our mission daily, touching the hearts of many residents, Sisters, families and friends of The Village; and equally your peers, we thank you.

We also offer heartfelt gratitude to longtime Village employees, Nellyvette Gonzalez-Martinez and Sherry Shaver, as they retire after many years of service. Thank you, Nelly and Sherry, for the connections you nurtured and the compassionate care you shared. Your service will forever remain part of The Village's story.

Together, we honor those who built this ministry by carrying their spirit forward — with every life we touch and every act of love we offer.

Thank you for being a part of our Village and our legacy,



Le Roy Fields Campbell
President and CEO

FAREWELL AND *Best Wishes*

We wish these Village team members a happy retirement and best wishes on their next adventures! Thank you for your years of service.

Nellyvette Gonzalez-Martinez
Life Enrichment Coordinator
9 years of service
Retired in September

Sherry Shaver
Receptionist, DeMatel House
25 years of service
Retiring in December

Celebrating MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

25 YEARS

Christine Inouye
Sherry Shaver

15 YEARS

Mary Saldana

10 YEARS

Sylvia Gomez
Amelia Leal
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5 YEARS

Nancy Berrones
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Mary Kay Smith
Rosalinda Segura
Guadalupe Valdez

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EMPLOYEE Spotlight

Our Village is blessed to recognize these wonderful staff members, congratulate them on their recent achievements, and welcome new members to our team. Thank you all for living our mission of extending the healing ministry of Jesus Christ to all those we serve!

Employees OF THE MONTH

July - September 2026



JULY
Annpatrice Brown

Annpatrice has been a Housekeeper in DeMatel House for two years, maintaining a clean and welcoming environment for all. She truly exemplifies a spirit of service, whether she's helping a teammate, brightening a resident's day with a kind word, or taking pride in every detail of her work.



AUGUST
Joni Johnson

Joni has been a dedicated member of the Sisters Care team for nine years. As a caregiver, she provides exceptional care and makes a positive difference every day in the lives of those she serves. Her compassionate spirit and genuine commitment to serving others shine through in everything she does.



SEPTEMBER
Carolyn Rogers

Carolyn has been a valued member of our DeMatel House team for four years, serving as an RN on the night shift. Her calm presence, compassionate care, and willingness to put others first brings comfort to our residents. Her positive attitude and dedication to excellence make her a wonderful leader among her co-workers.

Manager OF THE QUARTER



ALMA COSME

For more than 17 years, Alma has been an integral part of The Village. As Vice President of Marketing and Business Development, she is often one of the first people that prospective residents and family members meet when touring The Village. Alma is always ready to offer expertise, compassionate advice, and a welcoming smile. Over the years, she has helped countless residents make the transition to community living, helping each person feel truly supported and welcomed from the very beginning. Thank you, Alma, for living our mission every day!

Welcome TO THE TEAM!



Elisa Marie Salazar

Life Enrichment Coordinator

With 32 years of experience in senior living, Elisa Marie brings fun and connection to daily life at The Village by coordinating activities, outings, celebrations, and more. Above all, she loves getting to know residents and hearing their stories. Outside of work, she's a proud Spurs and Cowboys fan!



Binisa Zentella

Spiritual LIfe Coordinator

With more than 30 years of experience in ministry, leadership, music, and cultural programming, Binisa brings creativity, vision, and a welcoming heart to The Village. Through prayer, worship, attentive listening, and shared stories, she nurtures meaningful connections rooted in mutual care. Outside of work, she enjoys music, the arts, and time with her family.



The Legacy We Share

Sr. Shirley Vaughn, CCVI, MA, Mission Integration Director

The legacy The Village at Incarnate Word received from the Sisters of Chairty of the Incarnate Word, as discussed in the last issue of "The View", is that of service in response to the needs of the larger community. That response is marked by respect for the dignity of each person, compassion, integrity, collaboration and stewardship. Every day our residents, volunteers and benefactors live out those values, perhaps not intentionally, but nevertheless actually. A person who is treated with respect and compassion is more likely to treat others in the same way; thus the legacy is carried forward.

Besides helping one another in a variety of everyday "ordinary" ways, our residents are also volunteers. The Cardinal Club members use their crafting skills to crochet hats for young cancer patients and to make fabric dolls for children being kept in detention centers.

Residents often assist students of UIW and Incarnate Word High School to sharpen their skills and/or share their stories, which helps them "experience" events that happened long before they were born.

Some residents use their musical talents to entertain others or to add to the beauty of prayer/worship services. The Threshold Singers regularly visit hospice patients to sing comforting, beautiful songs to them.

Some independent living residents visit others in Angelique House Assisted Living or Memory Care and/or DeMatel nursing care, just to remind them that they are important and are loved.

The Village Players write and perform original plays to entertain residents, family members and staff – usually with great hilarity.

Some residents assist with Mass or other religious services by reading the scriptures or other readings and others bring Holy Communion to residents who are not able to come to one of our chapels.

Our volunteers support our residents in so many ways: staffing the gift shop, bringing their therapy dogs to visit, providing technical instruction and support, helping to serve refreshments at special events, cataloging and shelving books in our library. They too serve with compassion and respect. Our Board of Directors and their various committees devote an incredible amount of time and energy supporting The Village and ensuring that our mission has the support needed to continue effectively into the future.

THE VILLAGE
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Thank you to our

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Together, our mission is to extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ to all those we serve.

Likewise, our benefactors provide much-needed financial support that helps provide services to residents and Sisters Care clients. They also have provided funds for many campus improvements. The wonderful news is that our ministry is strong and flourishing in its 39th year; the challenging news is that most of our facilities are more than 38 years old and need continuous updating and repairs. The fantastic news is that we have wonderful benefactors who assist with these projects, enabling our legacy to continue.

Give GRACE to those in need



As the end of the year approaches, it's the most impactful time to donate! Whether you're making a holiday gift, giving for tax purposes, or supporting our Village's charitable ministries, we're deeply grateful for your generosity.

Our Charitable Ministries

Project Elder Help

removes financial barriers for older adults in need of caregiving services, offers respite to family members, and helps older adults age safely in their own homes.

The GRACE Fund

Previously known as the CCVI Legacy Fund, this fund provides crucial financial assistance to residents, allowing them to remain in their homes after a life-changing financial crisis or exhausting their resources.

Spiritual Life

is the heartbeat of our Village. Daily Mass, prayer groups, and ecumenical services give life to a community rooted in faith, hope, and love for all.

Year-End Giving Tips

Scan to Donate

Give a Gift That Lasts

Donate $250-$1,000 for an engraved brick/paver in the Dubuis Courtyard, gifting a touching, lasting tribute for a loved one. Call Rachel Castro at (210) 829-7561, ext. 150 to reserve yours today.

Donate Through a Donor Advised Fund

By giving through a Donor Advised Fund, you can receive an immediate tax deduction for 2026! Consult your financial advisor to learn more about this advantageous way to give. Gifts must be made before December 31, 2026.

Make a Qualified Charitable Distribution

If you are at least 70 1/2 years old, you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to give up to $108,000 from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to the charity of your choice. QCDs are tax-free and count towards your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD).

The Impact of Donor Support

Data from Fiscal Year 2025

465

Residents served, including 63 retired Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word and Sisters of Divine Providence.

$222,097

Given in financial assistance to residents through the GRACE Fund.

203

Individuals served through Sisters Care In-Home Care.

101,633

Hours of care given by Sisters Care.

$114,878

Given in financial assistance to Sisters Care clients through Project Elder Help.

Bridging Generations, BUILDING LEGACY

At The Village at Incarnate Word, community and connection are at the heart of daily life. Through educational programs, events, volunteer opportunities, and intergenerational experiences, residents are empowered to live vibrant, purposeful lives. It's one of the many ways life at The Village is truly different.





UNIVERSITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD

Village residents have the unique opportunity to audit classes at the University of the Incarnate Word on subjects that spark their curiosity. Resident Beverly M. has embraced this benefit for years, taking a variety of classes at UIW. Her first course, Political Science, sparked an interest in American government, a subject she had never formally learned while growing up in Canada. She has enrolled in several additional courses, exploring new subjects and making connections with students and faculty alike.

"The students are very welcoming, and it's nice to be among them," Beverly shares. "I usually come away with a good friend after every class. I've taken history and philosophy courses, and I may take an English course next. It's a great reminder that it's never too late to learn."

Residents also attend campus events, from concerts at the Bennack Music Center or Chapel of the Incarnate Word, to beloved traditions like "Light the Way". Plus, UIW student volunteers visit regularly to connect with residents and create experiences that encourage lifelong learning.

GENERATIONS OVER DINNER

In September, The Village hosted its first "Generations Over Dinner" event, a gathering that brought together more than 60 participants including Incarnate Word High School students, Village residents, staff, and community members. This event provided a welcoming space to engage in meaningful conversations and foster greater understanding between generations.

Generations Over Dinner is an initiative of the San Antonio Area Foundation and SALSA (Successfully Aging and Living in San Antonio). We hope to host more of these events in the future!



COMMUNITY EVENTS

Residents engage with the broader community through community events like our annual “Trunk or Treat”, where children and families visit The Village to trick or treat, share smiles, and create joyful memories with residents. These interactions provide meaningful connections that enrich the lives of both residents and visitors alike.

The Village is also grateful to welcome members of the community to our monthly Speaker Series dinners, Connections dance classes (read more on page 9), and annual events like the Christmas in July Mercado and Fiesta at The Village. These all provide excellent opportunities to connect and learn from one another.





LIVING HISTORY MUSEUM

Earlier this year, over 30 Village residents partnered with Incarnate Word High School students on a “Living History Museum”. This project, led by members of the National Honor Society, paired students with residents to learn about their lives, accomplishments, and personal histories. Through interviews and conversations, students had the opportunity to preserve and share the stories of residents from various professions, backgrounds, and communities.

The project culminated in a special “Living History Museum” night at Incarnate Word High School, where residents and students came together to celebrate the connections they had formed. For many participants, those relationships extended beyond the project itself. One student shared that they even invited their resident to attend their graduation ceremony, a testament to the genuine friendships that developed along the way.

CARDINALS CLUB

Life at The Village offers countless opportunities for residents to stay connected through volunteering. Among the most active volunteer groups on campus is the Cardinals Club, comprised of residents who dedicate their time and talents to helping others.

Members create handmade blankets, crocheted hats, and other items to donate to local non-profit organizations. Recently, they have been busy crocheting hats to donate to children and older adults, making baby blankets for CHRISTUS Children's Hospital and Seton Home, and sewing Puente Pal dolls to comfort children in immigration detention centers.

Their efforts demonstrate that giving back is a great way to stay active, connected, and fulfilled, all while supporting the community.



AROUND THE HOUSE

JULY - SEPTEMBER 2026



Olga & family at the inaugural Big Give BINGO Bash



Aloha! Sr. Mary, Isabel, & Cisi attend our annual Luau



Sarah plays a game of Dolly Parton themed BINGO on 9/25



Marisa poses with her pumpkin painting in the Craft Room



DeMatel team cheer on Helen at her Red Carpet Walk in the Rehab Gym



Angelique Walking Club enjoys a stroll around campus



Sr. Michele wins a door prize at the Christmas in July Mercado



Diane welcomes family for a Housewarming Luncheon



Valerie & Sr. Brigid Marie at our first "Murder Mystery" Dinner Party





(L to R): Gordon & Mardi and Margarita celebrate the Fourth of July



Gertrude & her son pose for Grandparent's Day



Incarnate Word H.S. students, Village residents, and volunteers attend "Generations Over Dinner"

JOIN THE FUN!

We invite you to connect with our Village community by attending one of our upcoming Connections events.

Every Friday!

Connections Dance Classes

Join us every Friday afternoon for FREE dance classes with guest instructor, Michelle Angulo-Pacheco of IMAGE Dance Company & Academy. No experience necessary to participate!

3:30 - 4:30 PM **Assembly Room**

December 11

6 - 9 PM

3rd Annual Community Jingle & Mingle

Celebrate the joy of the Christmas season at The Village! Join us for music, dancing, delicious food and drinks, and festive fun.

CHRISTUS Heritage Hall

Scan to RSVP

January 19

5:30 PM

January Speaker Series Dinner Who's On Your Team?

Join guest speaker, Spencer Brown, to discuss key support roles and strategies to achieve better health outcomes later in life.

CHRISTUS Heritage Hall

Scan to RSVP

February 24

5:30 PM

February Speaker Series Dinner Cancer Prevention

Explore leading cancer research and useful prevention strategies with guest speaker, Sandra Sivak, from UT Health San Antonio.

CHRISTUS Heritage Hall

Scan to RSVP

For questions about upcoming events, contact Frances Jackson, Community Outreach & Programs Manager at frances.jackson@thevillageiw.org.













Gifts Received

July 1 - September 30, 2026

During this season of gratitude, we would like to express our appreciation for all the donors who have given this year. Thank you for your continued support and belief in our mission.

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Martha Bazan
Sr. Brigid Marie Clarke, CCVI
Elroy Crenwelge
Tom Duckworth
Cheryl McMullan
Dr. and Mrs. Patrick Palmer
Esmeralda Parra
Donna Semmes

Big Give 2026

With your support, we raised over $16,000 for Project Elder Help! Thank you to everyone who donated to our campaign and/or attended our inaugural Big Give BINGO Bash.

Sandra Alderete
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Raquel Bishop
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In Memoriam

July 1 - Sept 30, 2026

The Village at Incarnate Word is grateful for the opportunity to have served the following individuals:

Residents

Sally Anderson
Lynda Echiverri
John Farmer
Paul Gergen
Angela Gokelman
George Gold
Catherine "CeCe" Huston
Sr. Marian Jordan, CCVI
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Susan Lucas
Gloria Robles
Virginia Saenz
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Helen Werland

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Staff

Ruth Esparza

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ON THE COVER

An Incarnate Word High School student and resident, Patsy, conduct an interview for the "Living History Museum" project. Read more about this intergenerational project and other initiatives on pages 6-7.

THANK YOU VETERANS

Recognizing all the brave men and women who served our country with strength and honor.

Resident Veterans

Paul Amrhein, U.S. Air Force
Jay Beamesderfer, U. S. Army, Medical Services
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† *Final Roll Call*