Our Mission - Your Gift - Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame

# Impact Report 2024 July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024

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## Thank You for Impacting Our Mission

#### A Message from Br. Joseph Fox, C.S.C.

Ever since Holy Cross Village was the result of Brother William Geenen's vision for an inclusive living space for seniors, we have happily come to appreciate the continuing presence of the Brothers of Holy Cross at the Village. Beyond living in various buildings around the campus, the Brothers are daily visible in the chapel, at meals, and at events sponsored throughout the year, particularly in the Andre Place Geenen Hall. It is comforting to know that the Brothers continue to support the mission of Holy Cross Village both physically and spiritually.

The heart of any organization or institution is surely its Development Office because developers not only need a clear understanding of the mission but must also believe in it strongly

so that it can be articulated clearly and convincingly. Holy Cross Village is blessed to have Eileen Toney as Development Director to articulate the mission for the Village. Along with her secretary Susan Granski, Eileen continues to do outreach to foundations for the grants necessary to keep the Village viable and attractive for seniors into the future.

Br. Joseph Fox, C.S.C. Foundation Chair



#### A Message from Brandon Kastner, President

The Impact Report from the Holy Cross Village Foundation represents the accomplishments and generosity of those looking to fulfill the mission that the Brothers of

Holy Cross started nearly 25 years ago. From the Jazz Fund to the Mary Grabner Employee Assistance Fund, the Foundation and its benefactors are positively impacting the lives of those who work and live on this campus.

In the past year, we've seen tremendous growth and a flourish of excited individuals looking to make a difference here at Holy Cross Village. Through the incredible work of Eileen Toney and her team, they were able to secure funding for a \$150,000 elevator upgrade and worked with residents and families intimately as they compassionately created memorial projects like the Welsh Family Garden and the Jean Gates Pavilion. It's in these relationships, developed between residents and families, that Eileen and the Foundation truly exceed in nurturing an environment of dignity and respect.

In the Mission Statement for Holy Cross Village, there's a sentence that builds excitement for staff and residents: "Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame is...energized by Holy Cross spirituality and hospitality..." The word energized—what a fantastic word to precede how we interpret spirituality and hospitality here at Holy Cross Village. It's through this energy that the Foundation continues to find ways to improve the lives of those we serve and help build on all the wonderful work completed by those who came before us.

It's this energy and connection to spirituality that continues to drive our desire to provide hospitality to the staff and residents of Holy Cross Village. This service would not be possible without the continued guidance and wisdom of those who serve on the Board of Directors for the Foundation. Thank you to everyone who gave their time and energy to the residents and staff at Holy Cross Village. I am excited to work with you on all the great and wonderful projects yet to come that will have a divine impact on those who work and live here at Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame.

Brandon Kastner Foundation President

#### Men with Hope to Bring

Throughout the history of the Brothers of Holy Cross, their unwavering and enduring goal has been to minister to individuals' needs. As our sponsors, the Brothers remain actively involved both financially and spiritually in the daily lives of residents who call Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame home.



# At the Foundation's Core

#### A Message from Our Director

In the realm of philanthropy, we appreciate your decision to support Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. Your contribution is crucial as we strive to fulfill our mission.

With generous financial contributions, we are able to enhance the lives of residents, strengthen our community, and expand life-enriching activities. We also strategically plan campus beautification projects, provide tuition and emergency funding for our committed employees, and offer support to residents in need through our St. Brother Andre Bessette Legacy Society.

As you read through our Impact Statement, you will discover two distinctive campus beautification projects: the Jean Gates Memorial Pavilion and the Welsh Friendship Garden. These projects offer residents various serene spots on the campus to relax and enjoy. Additionally, you will learn about the collaborative efforts by our residents who through brainstorming and vendor identification, recommended upgrades to the outdated AV platform in Br. William Geenen Hall. Thanks to their recommendations and Foundation funding, residents and guests now experience superior presentations and enhanced sound quality.



Our work is only achievable due to the thanks and dedication of our Foundation Board members, who generously volunteer their time and talent to advance our mission and improve the lives of our residents.

We are grateful to all who contributed to our achievements in the past year. With much accomplished, we are eagerly looking forward to embarking on new campus projects in the upcoming fiscal year.

Blessings,

Eileen M. Toney Director of Development

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# **Defining Holy Cross Village Foundation**

The mission of the Foundation is to raise funds that help support the programs and services of Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame. Our mission is centered on our commitment to serve others as a ministry of the Brothers of Holy Cross.

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

Contact: Eileen Toney Email: etoney@holycrossvillage.org Phone: (574)303-2831

Stay Connected on Facebook and Instagram!

Interested in learning how you can experience Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame's vibrant and supportive atmosphere? See page 11 to learn more.

*"You just can't find enough things to say about how much they care about us."* 





## The Saint Brother André Bessette Society

Saint Brother André dedicated his ministry to praying with the sick, leading to numerous miraculous healings credited to his intervention.

In recognition of his work, the Saint Brother André Bessette Society was formed, in honor of Saint Brother André, as Holy Cross Village is a ministry of the Brothers of Holy Cross. This Society aims to provide enhanced support to our valued legacy donors who choose to make a planned gift for our Holy Cross Village community.

By designating Holy Cross Village as a beneficiary of your retirement account, trust fund, or through a one-time refundable entrance fee, you are making a lasting commitment to advancing our mission. We express our gratitude to all Society members for their dedication to Holy Cross Village.

#### SAINT BROTHER ANDRÉ BESSETTE SOCIETY MEMBERS

Margaret (Peg) Claeys Barbara A. Dillon Martha Dunn Robert Dunn Jack S. Fuhrer Susan Fuhrer Jacqueline Huber David Huber Judy Melevage Anita Morse



(Back) Br. Joseph Fox, Judy Melevage, Br. James Spooner, C.S.C., (Front) Margaret Claeys, Anita Morse, Jack Fuhrer

# A Meaningful Impact

#### **Campus Beautification**

Based on our experience, a beautifully designed and well-maintained campus promotes creativity among residents and enhances community involvement. At Holy Cross Village, we are committed to diligently incorporating these three elements into our campus.

Last year, two families approached the Foundation with a wish to commemorate their loved ones who cherished their time at Holy Cross Village. Working closely with the Development Director, they created the Jean Gates Memorial Pavilion near the Andre Place dining room, and the Welsh Friendship Garden at the northeast corner of Riverside Place.

We delve into the families' unique residence experience while living in the Village and share with you the surviving family's desire to create a memorial space honoring their life.

#### Welsh Friendship Garden



Jack and Jo Welsh moved into their Riverside apartment in August 2014 from Valparaiso, IN to be closer to their children. Both remained active in their retirement years, traveling the world, sharing delicious meals, and exploring local arts and culture. To relax, Jo enjoyed sitting with Jack on their beautiful, flower-filled patio. Their time in the Village was meaningful to both, and Jack told his children, "I love this place."

The Welsh children wanted to pay tribute to their parents' memory by creating a garden for the residents. They selected a shaded spot near their parents' apartment and promptly started transforming the area into what is now known as the Welsh Friendship Garden.

The next time you walk the campus, you're encouraged to stop by the Welsh Friendship Garden, take a few minutes to sit on the wrought iron chairs and enjoy nature's tranquility.

#### Jean Gates Memorial Pavilion

Van and Jean Gates resided at Holy Cross Village for three and a half years until Jean's passing in January 2022. Van cherishes the memory of his wife of 75 years, describing Jean as "a friend to many and beloved by all who knew her."

The family sought a heartfelt memorial to honor her multiple roles as a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. After much discussion, Andre Place's dining patio was chosen as a site to install a pavilion, with construction commencing in December 2023.

The pavilion measures 16 feet by 24 feet and features a sturdy roof for year-round protection. Finishing touches were completed April 2024 that included a table with four club chairs for cards and board games, a love seat with a square side table, a rectangular coffee table with a teak top, and a three-seat sofa.

Surrounding the pavilion is updated landscaping, enhancing the outdoor ambiance. The pavilion was officially opened in June for outdoor gatherings.

We appreciate the Gates family's generosity in selecting Holy Cross Village to honor Jean in her multiple roles as a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.







#### The Impact of Vision and Sound

The audio/visual system at Brother William Geenen Hall was outdated, featuring a traditional drop-down screen, an overhead projector, and an antiquated sound system connected with numerous cables and multiple connections. It no longer served our residents and was deficient in compatibility with current technology.

Led by a resident collaboration team, they identified a cost-effective networked AV platform to provide high-performance AV distribution with reliable operation, offering scalability and cost efficiency through an integrated data network.

Today, residents and guests benefit from a quality sound system, a high brightness visual screen and a single interface allowing users to manage and control devices from a wall panel.



### Before



### After

#### Transforming Helen D. Schubert Villa: Enhancing Comfort and Accessibility for our Residents

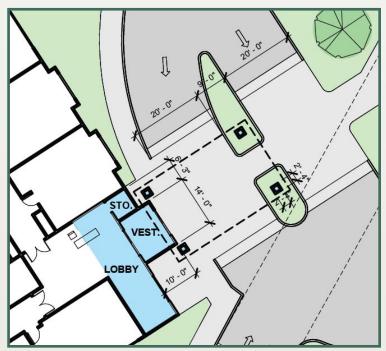


Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame is committed to being future-focused and our responsiveness to resident feedback demonstrates our strong dedication to quality care and continuous improvement. We know that by adapting and modifying our services based on the needs and feedback of our residents, we're ensured the care provided is both relevant and effective.

In early 2025, Holy Cross Village Foundation will embark on a capital campaign to raise \$650,000 for a transformative project at Helen D. Schubert Villa. The new porte cochere and a horseshoe driveway will ensure seamless, safe traffic flow and provide expanded guest seating, offering unparalleled comfort and protection from the elements.

These changes reflect a thoughtful approach to enhancing the resident and guest experience, ensuring everyone feels welcomed and well-served. Your support is crucial—join us in making a meaningful impact and help us elevate the living experience for our residents!

To learn how you can support this key project, please contact the Development Office for details.



## About Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame

Holy Cross Village is a Continuing Care Retirement Community (also known as a Life Plan community) that offers compassionate care for your unique needs. Our care doesn't just begin when a need arises– health and wellness are at the center of everything we do. Our goal is to help residents stay in their best shape. We care for you physically, intellectually, emotionally, and spiritually every step of the way.

Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame is a one-of-a-kind location nestled within the tri-campuses of Holy Cross College, St. Mary's College, and the University of Notre Dame. Our campus footprint consists of 5 residential buildings that feature 252 residences all on one campus. Each building is designed to support your individual health care needs. A complete list of our campus buildings is shown below.

#### **1.) ANDRE PLACE**

Independent Living consisting of 90 apartments

#### 2.) RIVERSIDE PLACE

Independent Living featuring 26 apartments

#### 3.) THE VILLAS

An Independent Living community with 38 villas

#### 4.) SCHUBERT VILLA

An Assisted Living community with 46 apartments

#### 5.) DUJARIE HOUSE

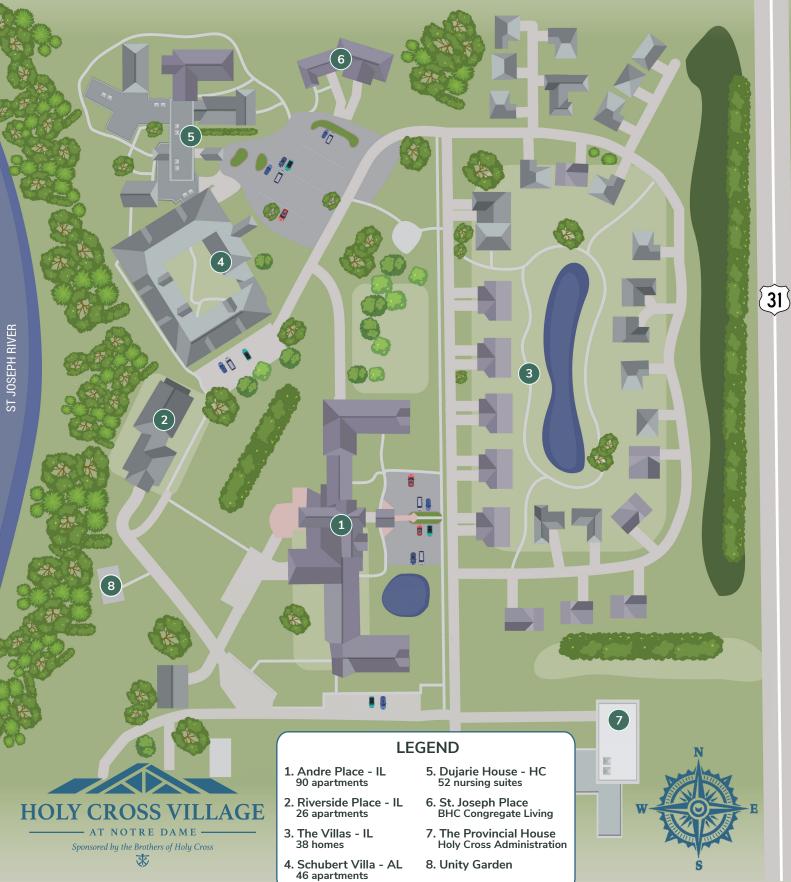
Features 52 suites for long-term care, memory care, and rehabilitation

#### 6.) ST. JOSEPH'S PLACE

Brothers of Holy Cross Congregate Living with 8 suites.

We invite you to learn how you can become part of a community that can adapt to your needs as they change. To learn more, contact the Marketing Office via e-mail at hello@holycrossvillage.org, via phone at (574) 251-2235, or contact Kelley Mason, Director of Marketing, directly.

### Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame - Campus Map



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Are you ready to make an impact today?



### Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame Foundation Overall Impact by the Numbers!

Your generosity has clearly made a significant impact in our community. Here's a summary of the incredible contributions:

#### **RESIDENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMING**

Over \$1,000 directed towards activities and programs to enhance the residents' quality of life.

#### EMPLOYEE RETENTION AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT

Approximately \$158,000 invested to support and develop our dedicated staff.

#### MISSION-PURPOSED INITIATIVES

Approximately \$306,000 has been allocated for initiatives that support the core mission of our Village campus.

#### **BR. WILLIAM GEENEN CARITAS FUND**

Approximately \$21,000 used to provide financial assistance to residents in need.

These efforts not only support the immediate community but also foster a culture of care and generosity that has a lasting effect. It's wonderful to see how your contributions are making a difference!

#### **Brother William Geenen Caritas Fund**

A financial donation into our Br. William Geenen Caritas fund will provide compassionate assistance to eligible Village residents who have diligently managed their finances but require additional support for ongoing care. To learn how you can contribute into this fund, please contact the Development office for details.

# Donations Made Between: July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024 Donor Honor Roll - Unrestricted

#### UNRESTRICTED

Marilouise Hagenberg

John Tortora

Jacky & Dave Huber

#### TRIBUTES

#### Anonymous

In Memory of Loren & Gloria Daily

In Memory of Florence Duesterberg

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In Memory of Ruth Goltz

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In Memory of Gertrude Kerger

In Memory of Bob Murphy

In Memory of Denise Roemer

In Memory of Barb Saggau

In Memory of Dan Saracino

Linda & Norman<sup>†</sup> Riley In Memory of Loren & Gloria Daily

# Donations Made Between: July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024 Donor Honor Roll - Restricted

#### SPIRITUAL CARE FUND

Anonymous (24) Roger Bielinski In Memory of Br. Joseph Berg, CSC Jeanne Downs Br. Joseph Fox, CSC In Memory of Brian Boulac Elaine & Gerald<sup>†</sup> Klein Mary Jane Severyn In Memory of Walter Severyn Susan Stith In Memory of Jerry Klein Bridget M. Szynski In Honor of Simone Ostric's 100th birthday Mary Davis In Memory of Dan Saracino Margaret VanDerGracht Sharon & Joseph Welch

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#### ANITA MORSE EMPLOYEE EDUCATION FUND

Louise Fessenden Anita L. Morse Robert Slabaugh

### Donations Made Between: July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024 Donor Honor Roll - Restricted (cont'd)

#### 2023 ANNUAL APPEAL – INDEPENDENT LIVING

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#### BR. WILLIAM GEENEN CARITAS FUND

Carol & Raymond Brach Van Gates Carol Regan In Honor of Br. Lew Brazil, CSC Margaret VanDerGracht

#### CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION FUND

James Bowman

Coleen Hoover

Judy Melevage

North Star Landscape Design & Installation In Honor of Mrs. Jean Gates

#### CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION FUND – HCV SIDEWALKS

Sharon & Bernard Henely

#### CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION FUND – JEAN GATES MEMORIAL PAVILION

Gates Fund of the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County

Van Gates

#### CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION FUND – WELSH FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

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#### VILLAGE OPERATING FUND – SCHUBERT COURTYARD DOOR OPENER

Nancy Barrett

#### VILLAGE OPERATING FUND – SECURITY EQUIPMENT

Anonymous

#### VILLAGE OPERATING FUND – TRANSPORTATION OPERATIONS

Anonymous

#### SAINT BROTHER ANDRÉ BESSETTE, C.S.C. SOCIETY (PLANNED GIVING)

Margaret (Peg) Claeys Barbara Dillon Bob & Martha Dunn Susan & Jack Fuhrer Jacqueline & David Huber Judy Melevage Anita Morse

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#### MARY GRABNER EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE FUND

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If you would like to learn more about Holy Cross Village at Notre Dame or about making a legacy gift to the HCV Foundation, please contact Eileen Toney, Development Director via email at etoney@holycrossvillage.org or by phone at (574) 303-2831.





A gift to Holy Cross Village is an investment in a vibrant life for future generations of Village residents. Use our QR code, or visit holycrossvillage.org/foundation to donate today!

