

Little Flower
Children and Family Services of New York

March Newsletter

Sister Theresita Named Grand Marshal of the St. Patrick's Day Parade of St. James



Sister Theresita has been chosen as Grand Marshal for the St. James Chamber of Commerce's 42nd Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, stepping off at 1 p.m. on March 14th along Lake Avenue. A resident of the Little Flower campus in Wading River, Sister T has been a beloved fixture in the St. James community for many years. At Little Flower and in the wider community, she has earned admiration for her leadership and compassionate dedication to service. Her selection was met with overwhelming enthusiasm at the Chamber's recent Winter Gala, where the announcement was made.

Save the Date for Our Cocktail Reception!

Please join us for
A Place to Belong

Little Flower Children and Family Services of NY's
Spring Cocktail Reception



Thursday, May 14th | 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Garden City Hotel
45 7th Street, Garden City, NY 11530



Presented by FourLeaf Federal Credit Union
Honoring Linda Armyn



Our annual Spring Cocktail Reception is just around the corner. Have you secured your [tickets](#) or [sponsorship](#) yet?

A Night at Monster Jam



On February 15th, the engines roared and the crowd erupted at UBS Arena for a Monster Jam truck show, with youth from Little Flower right in the middle of it all. To honor one of

our youth's dads for generously fundraising on his birthday, staff surprised him with a ticket to join in the fun!

St. John's Youth Named Finalist in Citywide Writing Competition



Z., a youth in our Close to Home program at St. John's Residence for Boys, is making his voice heard. Z. was selected as one of three finalists in Day One's Teen Dating Violence Awareness Art and Writing Competition, earning the opportunity to perform an original piece he wrote for the occasion.

On February 18th, Z. took the stage at 5C Cultural Center in Manhattan during their Open Mic Night, sharing his work with an audience gathered in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. His selection as a finalist is a testament to both his talent and his willingness to engage with an important and often difficult topic through the power of creative expression.

We are incredibly proud of him for stepping up and using his voice in such a meaningful way. Congratulations, Z!

Ice Cream Party Celebrates Youth



Each month, youth at our Residential Treatment Center who earn GIANT points for showing leadership, kindness and initiative are celebrated with a GIANT Scoops Ice Cream Party! We're so proud to recognize the difference they make. From checking in on peers who need support and recognizing acts of kindness, to helping on campus during the snowstorm and stepping up as leaders, their actions help make our community stronger every day.

Historic Photo Corner



Last month, we sadly said goodbye to civil rights leader Jesse Jackson, who died on February 17th at the age of 84. We'd like to share this picture of his visit with Little Flower youth many decades ago. We're grateful for his legacy of leadership and compassion.

Do you have any memorabilia or pictures of Little Flower you could share with us?

We are putting together an archive for our upcoming 100th anniversary! Please upload your digital treasures [here](#), or email hickesk@lfchild.org if you have any questions.

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