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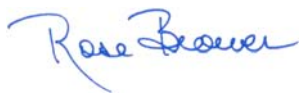
Thank you for bringing hope, love and joy to our patients at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital in 2016. God loves joyful givers!

Your generosity makes the holidays brighter for all the children and their families who are in need of our care. Because of you, we have been able to provide the best health care for any child in need, regardless of the family's ability to pay for more than 60 years.

Whether it be medical tests, surgery, or even getting children to their appointments to receive care and treatment—your gifts make a difference in the lives of God's little ones.

We hope you will be generous again this year to support the amazing things we do. Your gifts of annuities, outright gifts and your prayers advance our mission. Each day, we pray for you and your loved ones.

May God bless you abundantly in this New Year!



Reflection

The month of January is dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus. This feast originated towards the end of the fifteenth century.

"In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth and under the earth." Phil 2:10

Meet Liliana

At mid-pregnancy, Elizabeth was informed that the baby's stomach was pressing against her chest. Her doctor gave her the choice to continue or terminate the pregnancy. She chose life.



On November 25, 2015, at 38 weeks, Liliana was born and taken to SSM Health Cardinal Glennon. Upon arrival, she was fitted with a breathing tube. At one week old, Liliana received a mesh patch to separate her stomach from her chest. Further complicating her care, her left lung was underdeveloped and in early December, she had her first heart surgery. Her first five months were

spent in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).



Liliana was able to go home for three weeks, but was readmitted in May with pulmonary hypertension which

prompted a second heart surgery. Following the surgery, she embarked on a complex treatment plan, which includes living with a tracheostomy, a ventilator, a feeding tube, oxygen and electronic monitoring at all times – just to name her baseline needs.



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Liliana was discharged home in November to celebrate Thanksgiving, her birthday, Christmas, and New Year's - only to return again this month. According to Elizabeth, her first year has been "an emotional roller coaster." Elizabeth has fully assumed care of Liliana's medical needs at home, managing her tracheostomy, ventilator, oxygen, feedings, medications and more. Under the care of SLUCare physicians Mike Vlastos, MD of Fetal Medicine at delivery and Charles Huddleston, MD, pediatric cardiothoracic surgery, Elizabeth adds "we know we are in God's hands. This hospital is incredible. Everyone is so respectful and nice. Our doctors are awesome!" At birth, Liliana had a 20% chance of survival. She will require a third heart surgery when she is 2 or 3 years old and the patch will need to be replaced as she grows. While Liliana is making great progress, Elizabeth adds, "We look forward to going home."



2017 Event Calendar

February 4	Heart and Soul
April 2	Homers for Health Game Ball Relay – GB17
April 20	Glennon Style – Fashion Show Boutique & Luncheon
May 13	Scoops of Fun
May 18	Summer Kickoff Party
June 4	Glennon Sunday
September 16	Glennon Gallop
October 28	Glennon Glow
November 16	Tree of Hope Opening and Light Up Glennon

If you are in town, we hope to see you!
For more information, please call 1-800-269-0552.

We thank you for your generosity!

Your dollars make a difference in the lives of more than 200,000 children each year. Please consider a heartfelt gift by including SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children's Foundation in your will and trust to help our patients in need.



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