

St. Paul VI Women's Society News



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Autumn brings cozy gatherings

Some 50 women assembled Sept. 6 in the Marian Room to hear “Julia Child,” aka actress/historian Leslie Goddard, talk about the chef’s inspiring life and the art of French cooking. Leslie’s animated portrayal was the highlight of our September gathering. Membership Chair Nancy Sima said, “I collected \$660 in dues at the meeting plus a \$5 donation. The year is off to a great start!” Five more members paid their dues after the meeting, bringing the current total to 44 paid members and \$735.



Members who register and pay dues by the end of October will be included in our first St. Paul VI Women’s Society directory, due out at our Nov. 8 gathering! Annual dues are still only \$15. Come to our Oct. 4 gathering for fall refreshments, conversation, and materials to make a charcuterie board, instructed by Co-President Theresa Mendez!

Halloween Bunco!



Our society’s first fundraiser will be an afternoon of Halloween Bunco and raffle baskets from 1 to 3 pm Sat., Oct. 14, at Mater Christi’s Marian

Room. Women and men of our parish and neighborhood are welcome! Entry fee is \$10 and an appetizer or dessert to share! Win cash prizes for the most buncos, most wins, most losses, and best Halloween costume. Doors open at 12:30. Scan the QR code to register and pay online, or send your name, email address, phone number, and \$10 to Women’s Society, Lyne Pastoral Center, 40 E. Burlington St., Riverside, IL 60546, or drop in a collection basket.



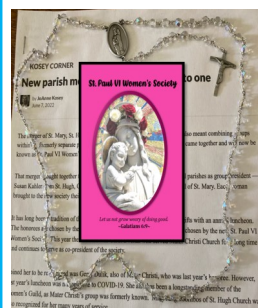
Collaboration continues at fest

For the second time in 6 weeks, the Women’s Society teamed up with the Holy Name Society to serve brats and hot dogs grilled by the men. HNS President Ted Watylyk invited us to collaborate and split any profits. This time it was at North Riverside’s Autumn



Fest and Chili Cook-off Sept. 15 at the Village Commons. Women’s Society aprons designed by Theresa Mendez debuted that evening, and we provided items for the village’s 100th

anniversary time capsule: a JoAnne Kosey “Landmark” column about the merging of our women’s groups, a Mater Christi rosary donated by Del Burns, and a society keychain made by Theresa Mendez. To cap it off, the HNS won the People’s Choice category for Joe Melone’s chili!



Ida: A wonderful year ahead

Women's Society Treasurer Ida Clary said Sept. 6, "Dues are accumulating, and we need some fundraisers, but we are going to have a wonderful year!" Ida reported that the society now has its own checking account with the previously combined funds from the Mater Christi Guild and St. Hugh SCW and those of the St. Mary CCW. Added to that were ticket sales from our retreat and the Day of Reflection, minus recent cash disbursements, to bring the Sept. 6 ending balance to \$3,067.53.



Calendar

- Oct. 4:** Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
- Oct. 7:** ACCW Fall Assembly Breakfast, The Carlisle, Lombard, 9am-noon
- Oct. 8:** Society Mass, MC, 11am
- Oct. 14:** Society's bunco fundraiser, 1-3pm, MC
- Nov. 8:** Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
- Nov. 12:** Society Mass, SM, 10am
- Nov. 25:** Chicks, Coffee & Conversation, MC, 10 am
- Dec. 13:** Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
- Dec. 17:** Society Mass, MC, 11am

Halls celebrate a Golden Day

Teresa and Raymond Hall observed their 50th wedding anniversary at the 10:00 Mass, Sept. 24 at St. Mary Church. Father Tom conferred a blessing on the couple. They were married Sept. 29, 1973, at Our Lady of Pompei Church in Chicago, where her parents were also married and where Teresa received her sacraments. Teresa is a lector at St. Mary, where she was CCW president before becoming co-president of our Women's Society from 2021-2022. Continued blessings on your marriage, Teresa and Raymond!



A banner Mass for society

Our first Women's Society banner enhanced our presence at our monthly Mass, 4:00 pm Sept. 9 at St. Mary. Chris Alfred and Theresa Mendez designed the two sides, and Theresa made it. Our next Mass will be 11 am Oct. 8 at Mater Christi.



ACCW: Food, fanfare, and the future

Another tradition of the season is the ACCW Fall Assembly Breakfast. Join us Oct. 7 from 9 am to noon at The Carlisle in Lombard for breakfast while honoring the 2023 scholarship recipient, winning raffle items, and brainstorming. The ACCW is looking to promote camaraderie and involve new women in leadership. Some positions are simple or doable by computer. Openings include deanery presidents and Board representatives for Spiritual, Leadership, Service, Legislative, and Respect Life Commissions. Cost of the breakfast is \$40, due by our Oct. 4 gathering. Contact Sue Kahler, 708-805-1007.

Offering a hand to aspiring nuns

Many religious communities are unable to accept women who carry student loan debt averaging \$33,000 among aspirants. The National Council of Catholic Women established the Vocation Purse Club in 2016 to help defray these debts. Our society voted Sept. 6 to earmark half the Split-the-Pot revenue at each meeting for this cause.



Keep In Your Prayers

Pray for healing for the sick members of our Society, including Del Burns, Carol Dvorak, Bern Gordus, JoAnne Kosey, and Dolores Messlein.



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Veronica Alfred
Betty Dvorak
Alice Kenar
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