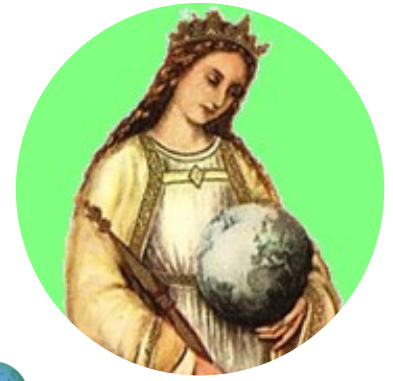


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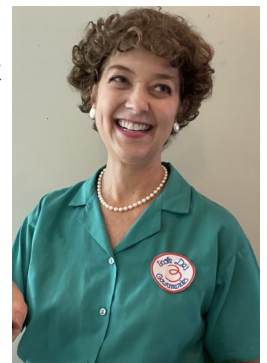
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Women's Society to host "Julia Child"

Talented speaker Leslie Goddard will treat the Women's Society to her portrayal of iconic chef Julia Child on Wed. evening, Sept. 6, in Mater Christi's Marian Room. Actress and scholar Goddard will portray the chef who brought the art of French cooking to TV from 1963-1973. It is a return engagement for Goddard, who holds a master's in theater and doctorate in U.S. history and women's studies.

Members of the Women's Society and women interested in joining are welcome! Goddard will speak at 7:30, so please arrive promptly at 7:00 for a brief business report, refreshments, and split-the-pot tickets, and to pay our modest \$15 annual dues. We invite you to join us at 6:30 in church for the rosary.

Questions, contact Sue Kahler, sclarekahler@gmail.com, 708-805-1007.



Board convenes

The Women's Society Board, led by co-presidents Nicki Mendez and Theresa Mendez, met Aug. 24 and had a lively discussion of ideas for the new fiscal year. A synopsis will be presented Wed. evening, Sept. 6, starting at 7:00. Topics included monthly speakers and activities, a card promoting the society, a membership directory, the bunco fundraiser in October and a possible flea market, 2024 May crowning plans, charitable gifts, and finances.



Sister Julice joins the fun

The Women's Society was well-represented among volunteers for the parish block party Sunday, Aug. 27, from staffing the food booth to selling raffle tickets. A welcome visitor was Sister Julice Bots, a School Sister of Notre Dame who lived at the convent for a number of years. Her more than 70 years as a nun included serving at missions in Japan and Hungary. Sister Julice currently lives at Marian Village in Homer Glen.



In Loving Memory of Virginia Novak

This summer, our society and parish lost a cherished longtime member, Virginia T. Novak, on Aug. 3. Her funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 18 at Mater Christi Church. Virginia and Carl, her late husband of 63 years, had four children and 10 grandchildren. We pray for our friend Virginia.



Membership

Women's Society Membership annual dues are still only \$15! Please pay Nancy Sima or Ida Clary in September or October.

Thank you!

Join or Renew Your Membership



Women's Society collaborates with Holy Name Society



Ted Watylyk, president of the St. Paul VI Holy Name Society, invited the Women's Society to collaborate as an invited food vendor at the North Riverside Centennial festival, July 30 at the Village Commons. Women's Society co-presidents Nicki Mendez and Theresa Mendez accepted enthusiastically in what they hope will be the first of many more such collaborations.



Volunteers Nancy Sima, Chris and Jackie Alfred, and Rosemary Kufta, along with Nicki and Theresa, sold the brats, hot dogs, and burgers grilled by men of the Holy Name Society. The women said it was a great learning experience, and Rosemary enjoyed singing with the band Infinity while wrapping burgers!



Calendar

- Sept. 6:** Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
- Sept. 9:** Society Mass, SM, 4pm
- Sept. 23:** Women, Wine & the Word, SM, 7pm
- 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
- Jan. 6:** Society Mass, SM, 4pm
- Feb 3:** Women, Wine & the Word, SM, 7pm
- Feb. 7:** Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
- Feb. 10:** Society Mass, MC, 5pm

Housing Forward update

Kathy Burns is coordinator of the Women's Society's Housing Forward initiative to help feed the hungry at a homeless shelter in Oak Park. Carol Dvorak obtained the following update from Kathy: "We've been providing 40 dinners on the first Friday of every month. Our 500 containers are down to a little over 100 left. I can see by the sign-in sheet when I deliver dinners that they don't have as many meal providers as they did previously. They are very grateful for our continued and consistent support." Each volunteer makes 5 to 10 dinners of their choice, consisting of an entree, a vegetable, and a dessert. Containers are supplied, and meals are taken to Kathy in North Riverside. Interested? Contact Kathy Burns at burns.kathleen@comcast.net.



Fund helps two more veterans

Two more deceased U.S. veterans were recently cremated with funds from the Women's Society's Veterans Burial Fund, generously donated by parishioners and other individuals. Linda Johnson, coordinator of the Fund, said Sherman Hopkins was a private in the Army's 17th Cavalry. He served from May 6, 1968, to July 9, 1971. The other veteran was Robert Taylor. Further information will be shared when it becomes available. Linda works with Hines VA Hospital and a low-cost cremation service to cremate deceased veterans whose families are in dire need of assistance. Veterans receive free interment at any national cemetery, but embalming or cremation services are not included.



Keep In Your Prayers

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



July/August/September

- July:** Linda Craden, Gerry Dulik, Rose Kapoun, Rosemary Kufta, Elsie Piszczor
- Aug.:** Pat Borow, Pat Brown, Rosemary Feigle, Jan Harrington, Mary Hoff, Nicki Mendez, Patti Jo Meyer, Lorraine Schmecht, Nancy Sima, Donna Veverka
- Sept.:** Marybeth Brokenshire, Julie Keehn, Debbie Orth, Patricia Vallez