

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWSLETTER

June 2023

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Next Meeting:

June 12

Guild Officers

PRESIDENT:

Laura Foussekis

VICE PRESIDENT:

Margo McCaul

SECRETARY:

Meg Hoover

TREASURER:

Michele Miller

June Meeting & Election of Officers

Our next meeting will be in the Parish Hall at St. Jude. This will be the last meeting of the Guild year. We will begin with the recitation of the rosary in the church at 5:30 followed by refreshments then the meeting. The meeting will include the election of officers for the 2023/2024 Guild year. There are no meetings in July or August.

In lieu of the designated refreshment providers by last-name, any member wishing to bring a teatime finger food item to share is invited to do so. There are 3 types of food traditionally served at tea parties:

1. Tea sandwiches and wraps.
2. Scones and nut breads.
3. Desserts and fruits

Discerning taste buds most welcome! For additional information, please contact Connie Fuller at cmfuller2016@gmail.com



Bake Sale

Father's Day Weekend

June 17 & 18

At St. Jude after the 5:00 Mass on Saturday and the 11:00 Mass on Sunday

Calling all sweet treats:

Cakes ~ Cookies ~ Pies ~ Brownies ~ Breads

Donated baked goods can be dropped off in the parish hall from 2-4 pm on Friday, June 16 or before either Mass. Proceeds will be donated to the parish.

Our mission is to unite all women of St. Jude and Immaculate Conception Parishes through Religious and Educational activities.



***Earthly Farewell -
Heavenly Welcome:***

Marge Stanton

WOMEN OF FAITH—SAINT BLANDINA

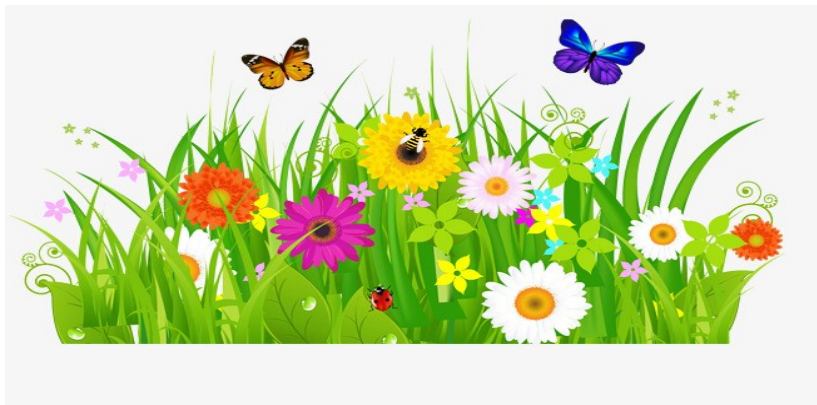
St. Blandina was a slave in the second century and patroness of young girls.

Here is all we know of her: After the miraculous victory obtained by the prayers of the Christians under Marcus Aurelius, in 174, the Church enjoyed a kind of peace, though it was often disturbed in particular places by popular commotions, or by the superstitious fury of certain governors.

This appears from the violent persecution which was raised three years after the aforesaid victory, at Vienne and Lyons, in 177, while St. Pothinus was bishop of Lyons, and St. Irenaeus, who had been sent there by St. Polycarp out of Asia, was a priest of that city. Many of the principal Christians were brought before the Roman governor. Among them was a slave, Blandina; and her mistress, also a Christian. Her mistress feared that Blandina lacked strength to brave the torture. She was tormented a whole day through, but she bore it all with joy till the executioners gave up, confessing themselves outdone.

Red-hot plates were held to the sides of Sanctus, a deacon of Vienne, till his body became one great sore, and he looked no longer like a man; but in the midst of his tortures he was "bedewed and strengthened by the stream of heavenly water which flows from the side of Christ." Meantime, many confessors were kept in prison, and with them were some who had been terrified into apostasy (the abandonment or renunciation of religious belief). Even the heathens marked the joy of martyrdom in the Christians who were decked for their eternal espousals, and the misery of the apostate. But the faithful confessors brought back those who had fallen, and the Church, "that Virgin Mother," rejoiced when she saw her children live again in Christ. Some died in prison, the rest were martyred one by one with St. Blandina the last of all. She witnessed her younger brother put to a cruel death and encouraged him to victory. Blandina was tortured for her faith; body burned and ashes thrown in the Tiber River.

Her feast day is June 2nd.





Book Club



Meets the Third Wednesday of the Month @ 2:00 pm @ St. Jude

All ladies are invited to join

Planned books for the 2023-2024 Guild Year:

- * September: *Lazarus* by Morris West
- * November: *The Witness of Early Christian Women, Mothers of the Church* by Mike Aquilina
- * January: *A Catholic Christmas* by Kathleen M. Carroll
- * March: *What Jesus Saw from the Cross* by Antonin Sertillanges
- * May: *The Rapture Trap, A Catholic Response to End Times Fever* by Paul Thigpen

If you have questions, please contact Laura Foussekis (lfoussekis@comcast.net) or Judy Kavanagh (momkavanagh@hotmail.com). The book club reads a variety of fiction and non-fiction books.



TWO SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Two \$1,000.00 scholarships were awarded. One to **Antoinette Dwyer** and the other to **Allison Allen**. The certificates commemorating the awards were presented by Laura Foussekis (Guild President) and our pastor, Father Duffy after the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, May 28. Both young ladies have been very active in the parish and were approved as scholarship recipients.

GARDEN CELTIC CROSS

Our May meeting included the annual Memorial Mass in remembrance of our deceased members, an appreciation dinner, and a celebration of Father Duffy's upcoming retirement. The Guild presented him with a beautiful stone Celtic cross to place in the planned garden of his new home in Charlottesville.

Happy Retirement Father Duffy!



Birthdays of the Month

- 2 - Carol Allen
- 4 - Julie Stanford
- 6 - Cindy Honchar
- 10 - Melissa King
- 21 - Mary Stouch



TEAM LEADERS

Team	Chair	Co-Chair
Advertising	Melissa King	
Bake Sale	Margo McCaul	Donna Gray
Banquet	Julie Phelps	Amber Harman
Book Club	Laura Foussekis	Judy Kavanagh
Christmas Bazaar	Connie Fuller	Donna Gray/Wendy Smith Shirley Willis—Silent Auction
Church Beautification	Joan Kelly	Meg Hoover
Lazarus Committee	Rosemarie Ayres	Donna Gray
Lenten Fish Dinners	Michele Miller	Julie Phelps
Martha & Mary Ministry	Jennifer Grimm	Lil Connor
Newsletter	Meg Hoover	
Refreshments	Connie Fuller	
Scholarship	Wendy Smith	
Sunshine/Guild Mass Cards	Mikee Thompson	
Yard Sale	Donna Gray	Sally Cool

For Guild Members Health & Healing:

Lavonne Simmons, Maria Mader, Mary Carole Weiner, Erni Heimberg; Mary Ann Ptasznik; Alona Wiedel; Sue Morlino; Sue Handrahan

For Family & Friends Health & Healing:

Carter Ayres, Grandson of Ro; Regina White, niece of Julie Phelps and Ro Ayres; Dick Nagle, Father of Mikey Thompson; Marilyn Myhre, sister of Billie Markowitz; Kent Myhre, nephew of Billie Markowitz; Sister Sally Russell, SSJ; Miriam Kavanagh, daughter of Judy Kavanagh; Michelle Munnley McCarthy, niece of Meg Hoover; Chuck Pace, son-in-law of Mary Ann Belair; Michelle Feldmeier, sister-in-law of Mary Ann Belair; Hermine Curry, sister of Erni Heimberg; Sherrell Vierling, daughter of Ernie Heimberg; Remington Muehlhauser, nephew of Karen Muehlhauser; David Bruce, member of St. Jude Choir and Knights of Columbus; Brent Price, nephew of Mikey Thompson; Lisa Salerno (formerly Rothlisberger), former member of the Guild; Dan Schroeder and family, friends of Cindy Honchar; grandson of a friend of Judy Kavanagh; Bill O'Connor, brother-in-law of Sandy Brassard; James Austin, Ann Moore's father and grandfather of Veronica and Victoria Moore; Gillian Clissold, sister of Donna Gray; Chris Fursman, son of Deacon Tom and Jackie Fursman; Arlene Walsh, sister of Lil Connor; Rocky Johnson, grandson of a friend to Sandy Brassard; Wolfgang Werner, brother of Erni Heimberg; Jonathan Grimm, husband of Jennifer Grimm; Bill Ritter, father-in-law of the son of Judy Kavanagh; Butch Connor, husband of Lil Connor; Roseann Kelly, daughter of Joan Kelly; Sam Watson, great-grandson of Shirley Willis; Lily O'Keefe, grand-daughter of Judy O'Keefe; Steve Attrill and Toma Zivkovic, friends of Sandy Brassard; Linda Siar, sister of Connie Fuller; Clara, infant Great-Granddaughter of Mary Northrup; Luca, Great-Grandson of Maria Mader; Judy Clark; Judy Havel; Mike Cooper; Larry Kavanagh, husband of Judy Kavanagh; Linda Kuykendall

Repose of the Soul:

Marcella Law, grandmother of Billie Markowitz's grandsons; Rosalie Austin, Ann Moore's mother; Gerhard Werner, brother of Erni Heimberg; Edith Werner, sister-in-law of Erni Heimberg; Bill Robertson, nephew of Ro Ayres; John Maurer, brother-in-law of Sally Cool; Sr. Virginia Pfau, IHM, friend of Sr. Carrine; Jeannie Petrini; Mike Finegan, brother of Pat Fischer; Patricia Mc Adams, friend of Sr. Carrine; Janet and Tom Fisher, sister and brother-in-law of Catherine Austin; Al Gutekenst, husband of Marilyn Gutekenst; Dorothy Rexenne Sabelhaus; Jeffrey Pignataro, Kim Bukowski's brother; Henry Schiller, husband of Madeleine Schiller; Ann Hierholzer, Mother-in-Law of Barb Hierholzer; Lauren Benishek, friend of Susan Coulter; Toma Zivkovic, friend of Sandy Brassard; Orville Kollars, father of Brenda Roerty; Cindy Fisher, step-daughter of Mary Ann Ptasznik; Marge Stanton; Paula Pineda, sister of Catherine Austin

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