

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWSLETTER

September 2023

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Next Meeting:

**September
11**

Guild Officers

PRESIDENT:

Margo McCaul

VICE PRESIDENT:

Ellen Casale

SECRETARY:

Meg Hoover

TREASURER:

Michele Miller

Membership Renewal

We have started a new Guild, fiscal year and it is time to renew your membership. Our next meeting will be Monday, September 11, 2023 in the hall at St. Jude. To renew your membership. Complete the form on the right and mail it to St. Jude or leave it in the Guild folder. (No cash - checks only, please.) Or bring the completed form with your payment (cash or check) to our September meeting. A form must accompany all membership renewals for accountability purposes. Many thanks.

Hope to see you at our September meeting!

Guild Application/Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Birthday (mm/dd): _____

Mail completed form to:
 Louisa Catholic Women's Guild
 P.O. Box 40
 Mineral, VA. 23117

DUES = \$10/yr reg & \$5/assoc
 Make check payable to:
 Louisa Catholic Women's Guild

Please do not send cash.

Whatever you do work at it with
 all your heart. As working for the
 Lord, Not for Men.
 -Colossians 3:23



Happy Labor Day!

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



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

*Hermine Curry, sister
of Erni Heimberg*

*Sr. Vita Pierce, IHM,
friend & fellow sister
of Sr. Carrine*

*Paula Staab, past
member & president*

WOMEN OF FAITH—SAINT EDITH OF WILTON

Edith of Wilton (c. 961 – c. 984) was an English saint, nun and member of the community at Wilton Abbey, and the daughter of Edgar, King of England (r. 959–975) and Saint Wulfthryth. Edith's parents might have been married and Edgar might have abducted Wulfthryth from Wilton Abbey, but when Edith was an infant, Wulfthryth returned with Edith and their marriage was dissolved. Edith and her mother remained at Wilton for the rest of their lives.

Like her mother, Edith was educated at Wilton. From a young age, Edith chose to enter the religious life, although it is uncertain whether she became a nun or a secular member of the Wilton community. Goscelin, who completed her hagiography around 1080, reports that Edith "always dressed magnificently" because it reflected her status as a member of the royal family and because she was obliged to fulfil certain roles to ensure the continued royal patronage of the Wilton community. Goscelin based his Vita on the oral testimony of the Wilton nuns and their abbess, as well as on existing written sources. The work was dedicated to Lanfranc, the Archbishop of Canterbury.

When she was 15 years old, Edith's father offered her the position of abbess of three convents, but she declined. In 978, after the murder of her half-brother, Edward the Martyr, she may have been offered the English throne, which she also refused.

In 984, Edith constructed a chapel at Wilton Abbey dedicated to St Denys. The chapel was consecrated by St Dunstan, the Archbishop of Canterbury, who reportedly foretold her imminent death and that the thumb on her right hand would remain uncorrupted. She died three weeks later, at the age of 23, on 16 September 984 and was buried at the chapel she built as she had instructed. Dunstan presided at her translation, which occurred on 3 November 987; her thumb, as Dunstan had foretold, had not decomposed.

Few miracles were attributed to her that supported Edith's canonisation and her cult did not become popular and widespread for 13 years after her death. Many of the miracles that were reported later focused on the protection of Edith's relics and the property owned by the Wilton community, often violently retaliating against those who sought to take or steal them. The support of Edith's elevation to sainthood by both secular and religious authorities was probably politically motivated, in order to establish their power and to connect themselves to King Edgar's descendants. Her feast day is 16 September.





Guild Book Club

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

All ladies are invited to join



Everyone is invited to join the Women's Guild book club. We meet 5 times per year and read books with a Catholic/Christian/Religious theme. Usually we read a variety of fiction and non-fiction with a book concerning the Saints for our November discussion, a Christmas or Advent book for our January discussion and a Lent or Easter book for our March discussion. We send the questions out in advance (usually about 7 questions). We meet the third Wednesday of September, November, January, March and May at St Jude's at 2 p.m.

Planned books for the 2023-2024 Guild Year:

- * September 20, 2023: *Lazarus* by Morris West
- * November 15, 2023: *The Witness of Early Christian Women, Mothers of the Church* by Mike Aquilina
- * January 17, 2024: *A Catholic Christmas* by Kathleen M. Carroll
- * March 20, 2024: *What Jesus Saw from the Cross* by Antonin Sertillanges
- * May 15, 2024: *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).

SAVE THE DATE

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR and SILENT AUCTION

Saturday, November 18

Craft Vendors ~ Kitchen ~ Bake Sale ~ Guild Made Craft Items

The ladies have already been busy creating wonderful crafts Tuesday mornings after Mass. The next session is scheduled for September 5.

All are invited to join in the fun. Below are some photos from the first session - glass painting!

Stay tuned for more details. For more information, please contact Connie Fuller at 804-513-4396 or cmfuller2016@gmail.com.



Birthdays of the Month

- 6 - Kathleen Cunningham
- 9 - Karen O'Connell
- 11 - Teresa Jescovitch
- 16 - Ursula Canada
- 18 - Judy Boone & Meg Hoover
- 22 - Karen Muehlhauser
- 24 - Virginia Whitehurst
- 25 - Lori Muoio
- 27 - Michele Miller
- 30 - Veronica Moore



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	Kathleen Cunningham	Meg Hoover
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; Alona Wiedel; Sue Morlino; Sue Handrahan; Virginia Whitehurst; Lorraine Costello

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; Chuck Pace, son-in-law of Mary Ann Belair; Michelle Feldmeier, sister-in-law of Mary Ann Belair; Sherrell Vierling, daughter of Ernie Heimberg; 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; 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, friends of Sandy Brassard; James Austin, father of Ann Moore and grandfather of Veronica and Victoria Moore; 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; Linda Markovits, friend of Donna Gray; Mia Etheridge, Louisa County Firefighter; Dawson Dholen, nephew of Billie Markowitz; Vern Balery, close friend of Billie Markowitz; Bess Haile, cousin-in-law of Jane Bono

Repose of the Soul:

Paula Pineda, sister of Cathy Austin; Bill Ritter, father of Judy Kavanagh's son-in-law; Max Couchman, St. Jude Choir Member; Linda Siar, sister of Connie Fuller; Hermine Curry, sister of Erni Heimberg; Sr. Vita M. Pierce IHM, friend of Sr. Carrine

For additions or deletions to the listing; please send an email message to either:

megger1025@yahoo.com or lcladiesguild@gmail.com

Please NOTE the list will be "scrubbed" at the beginning of September. If you wish a name to remain on the list, please email Meg by September 1 or let her know at the September meeting. Thank you.



