

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWSLETTER

February 2024

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Next Meeting:

**February 12
at St Jude**

Guild Officers

PRESIDENT:

Margo McCaul

VICE PRESIDENT:

Ellen Casale

SECRETARY:

Meg Hoover

TREASURER:

Michele Miller

**FEBRUARY MEETING - MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 AT 6:00
(following the rosary at 5:30) - the HALL at ST. JUDE**

The February meeting will be in the hall at St. Jude.

Ladies with the last name beginning with **A** through **F** are asked to bring a dish to share.

If you did not bring a donation of diapers and/or laundry detergent and still wish to donate to the IRC; please bring your donation to the February meeting. Any size diapers are welcome with larger sizes (3-5) needed. Small containers of laundry detergent or pods are also needed. Many thanks for your generosity.

**GUILD BAKE SALE - SUPER BOWL
WEEKEND**



At St. Jude after Mass - Saturday, February 10 & Sunday, February 11

Pies ~ Cakes ~ Breads ~ Cookies ~ Brownies ~ Sweet or Savory Treats

The Super Bowl is Sunday, February 11 and Valentine's Day is Wednesday, February 14

All donations are welcome. Please drop off your donations before either Mass (Saturday or Sunday). For questions or additional information, please contact Donna Gray at (H) 540-967-2173 or (M) 914-588-1654 or dgray1984@gmail.com.

FISH DINNERS ~ FRIDAYS IN LENT



Take Out Only begins at 4:00 followed by Eat-In & Take Out from 4:30—7:00



The first of the 6 dinners will be on Friday, February 16 with the last one on Friday, March 22.

Help is always needed and especially in the kitchen to help serve and clean-up from 4:00 - 7:30. If you are able to help, please contact Donna Gray at (H) 540-967-2173, (M) 914-588-1654, or dgray1984@gmail.com

Donations of baked desserts are needed each week. Please drop off any items at the parish hall beginning at 2:00 pm. The wonderful homemade desserts are the "icing on the cake" of a wonderful meal. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

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



No evil shall befall you, nor shall affliction come near your tent, for to His Angels God has given command about you, that they guard you in all your ways. Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone.

WOMEN OF FAITH—SAINT JULIANA OF NICOMEDIA

Saint Juliana of Nicomedia (Greek: Ἰουλιανή Νικομηδείας) is said to have suffered Christian martyrdom during the Diocletianic persecution in 304. She was popular in the Middle Ages, especially in the Netherlands, as the patron saint of sickness.

The details of her biography are unclear. The Acts of Saint Juliana used by Bede in his "Martyrologium" may be legendary. According to this account, Saint Juliana, daughter of an illustrious pagan named Africanus, was born in Nicomedia; and as a child was betrothed to the Senator Eleusius, one of the emperor's advisors. Her father was hostile to the Christians. Juliana secretly accepted holy baptism. When the time of her wedding approached, Juliana refused to be married. Her father urged her not to break her engagement, but when she refused to obey him, he handed her over to the Governor, her former fiancé. Elusius again asked Juliana to marry him, but she again refused.

Juliana was beheaded after suffering torture in 304, during the persecution of Maximian. It is said that part of her torture was being partially burned in flames, plunged into a boiling pot of oil, and finally beheaded. Another Christian named Saint Barbara suffered the death of a martyr along with Juliana and was likewise sainted.

Soon after a noble lady named Sephonia came through Nicomedia and took the saint's body with her to Italy, and had it buried in Campania. Evidently it was this alleged translation that caused the martyred Juliana, honoured in Nicomedia, to be identified with the Saint Juliana of Cumae evidenced above, although they are quite distinct persons.

At the beginning of the 13th century her remains were transferred to Naples. The description of this translation by a contemporary writer is still extant. The feast of the saint is celebrated in the Latin Church on 16 February, in the Greek on 21 December.

The photo is of a statue of Saint Juliana found in a Jesuit church in Heidelberg, Germany.



LENT



Guild Book Club - Next Meeting & Book

Wednesday March 20 @ 2:00 pm @ St. Jude

What Jesus Saw from the Cross by Antonin Sertillanges



All ladies are invited to join

Everyone is invited to join the Women's Guild book club. The book club meets 5 times per year and reads 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. Questions are sent 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.

The last book for the 2023/2024 Guild Year:

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).

A Valentine Prayer

I said a Valentine prayer for you
and asked the Lord above
to fill your heart and bless your soul
With the precious gift of love.

I asked Him for sincere love
The kind that's meant to stay
Just like the generous love
You give to those you touch each day.

I prayed for love from family
And from every cherished friend
Then I asked the Lord to give you
His love that knows no end.



SAVE THE DATE ~ MONDAY, MARCH 11

Lenten Retreat in lieu of our March meeting. The retreat will be led by Father Cal and held in the parish hall at St. Jude. A light dinner will be served. More information to come.



Birthdays of the Month

- 6 - JoAnn Emmel
- 12 - Marijane Lazzaro
- 18 - Laurie Kane
- 19 - Connie Fuller
- 20 - Lillian Connor
- 27 - Sue Hennegan



TEAM LEADERS

Team	Chair	Co-Chair
Advertising	Melissa King	
Bake Sale	Melissa King	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	Needed	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, Alona Wiedel; Sue Morlino; Sue Handrahan; Virginia Whitehurst; Lorraine Costello; Helen Winston; Ellen Casale; Cathy Austin; Laurie Kane

For Family & Friends Health & Healing:

Dawson Dholen, nephew of Billie Markowitz; Vern Balery, close friend of Billie Markowitz; Bess Haile, cousin-in-law of Jane Bono; Carson Ayres, Grandson of Ro Ayres; Jonathan Grimm, Husband of Jennifer Grimm; Judy Stenglein, friend of Sue Handrahan; Joyce Holley, friend of Sue Handrahan; Laura McCaul, Mother-in-Law of Margo McCaul; Danny Savage, friend of Becky Chidester; Allene Arvin, sister of Mikey Thompson; Niece of Sally Cool; Stephanie Krueger, friend of Donna Gray; Gisele Harris, great niece of Laura Foussekis; Butch Connor, husband of Lil Connor; Robert Caffro, brother of Ro Ayres and Julie Phelps; Tony Taylor, brother of Joan Kelly

Repose of the Soul:

Sr. Vita M. Pierce IHM, friend of Sr. Carrine; Jennie Breeden, Mother of Jennifer Grimm; Albert Anick, cousin of Karen Donnelly; Erni Heimberg; James Austin, father of Ann Moore and grandfather of Veronica and Victoria Moore; Arlene Walsh, sister of Lil Connor

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