

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWSLETTER

July 2024

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Next Meeting:

September 9

Guild Officers

PRESIDENT:

Margo McCaul

VICE PRESIDENT:

Ellen Casale

SECRETARY:

Meg Hoover

TREASURER:

Michele Miller

June Meeting and Election of Officers

Our newly elected officers
are:

Margo McCaul - President

Ellen Casale - VPresident

Meg Hoover - Secretary

Michele Miller - Treasurer

We have started a new Guild,
fiscal year. Our next meeting
will be September 9, 2024 in
the hall at St. Jude. Feel free
to renew your membership.
Complete the form 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.

Please send any ideas for
Guild meetings or field trips
and/or calendar dates to our
President, Margo McCaul at
margo.mccaul@gmail.com

Have a wonderful summer!

Guild Application/Renewal

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

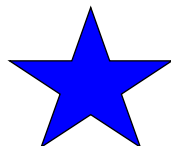
Birthday (mm/dd): _____

No change to information _____

Mail completed form to:
Louisa Catholic Women's Guild
1937 Davis Highway
Mineral, VA. 23117

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

Please do not send cash.



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 ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

Elizabeth was a Spanish princess who was given in marriage to King Denis of Portugal at the age of twelve. She was very beautiful and very lovable. She was also very devout, and went to Mass every day. Elizabeth was a holy wife, but although her husband was fond of her at first, he soon began to cause her great suffering. Though a good ruler, he did not imitate his wife's love of prayer and other virtues. In fact, his sins of impurity gave great scandal to the people.

Later, to make matters worse, the King believed a lie told about Elizabeth and one of her pages by another page, who was jealous of his companion. In great anger the King ordered the one he believed guilty, to be sent to a lime-burner. The lime-burner was commanded to throw into his furnace the first page who came. The good page set out obediently, not knowing death was waiting for him. On his way he stopped for Mass, since he had the habit of going daily. The first Mass had begun, so he stayed for a second one. In the meantime, the King sent the wicked page to the lime-burner to find out if the other had been killed. And so it was this page who was thrown into the furnace! When the King learned what had happened, he realized that God had saved the good page, punished the liar, and proven Queen Elizabeth to be innocent.

This amazing event helped greatly to make the King live better. He apologized to his wife in front of everyone and began to have a great respect for her. In his last sickness, she never left his side, except for Mass, until he died a holy death. St. Elizabeth lived for eleven more years, doing even greater charity and penance. She was a wonderful model of kindness toward the poor and a successful peacemaker between members of her own family and between nations.

After Denis' death in 1325, Elizabeth retired to the monastery of the Poor Clare nuns, now known as the Monastery of Santa Clara-a-Velha (which she had founded in 1314) in Coimbra. She joined the Third Order of St. Francis, devoting the rest of her life to the poor and sick in obscurity. During the great famine in 1293, she donated flour from her cellars to the starving in Coimbra. She was also known for being modest in her dress and humble in conversation, for providing lodging for pilgrims, distributing small gifts, paying the dowries of poor girls, and educating the children of poor nobles. She was a benefactor of various hospitals (Coimbra, Santarém and Leiria) and of religious projects (such as the Trinity Convent in Lisbon, chapels in Leiria and Obidos, and the cloister in Alcobaça).

She was called to act once more as a peacemaker in 1336, when Afonso IV marched his troops against King Alfonso XI of Castile, his nephew, to whom he had married his daughter Maria, and who had neglected and ill-treated her. In spite of age and weakness, the Queen-dowager insisted on hurrying to Estremoz, where the two kings' armies were drawn up. She again stopped the fighting and caused terms of peace to be arranged. But the exertion brought on her final illness. As soon as her mission was completed, she took to her bed with a fever from which she died on 4 July, in the castle of Estremoz. She earned the title of Peacemaker on account of her efficacy in solving disputes. Her feastday is July 4.



Guild Book Club - Next Meeting & Book

Wednesday, September 18 @ 2:00 pm @ St. Jude

The Garden of Martyrs, by Michael C. White



This novel is based on historical events in Massachusetts in the early 1800's. The main characters are Catholic immigrants.

All ladies are invited to join - light refreshments will be served

The last book club meeting for the current Guild Year was held. The book club meets on odd months from September through May. The club reads books with a Catholic/Christian/Religious theme. A variety of fiction and non-fiction books are selected. Questions are sent out in advance (usually about 7 questions). Meetings will be the third Wednesday of September, November, January, March and May at St Jude's at 2 p.m. The first meeting for the 24/25 Guild year will be September 18.

If you have questions, please contact Laura Foussekis (lfoussekis@comcast.net) or Judy Kavanagh (momkavanagh@hotmail.com).



**International Day
Of
Friendship
July 30**



Father of all nations and ages,
We recall the day when our country claimed its
place among the family of nations; for what has
been achieved we give you thanks, for the work
that still remains we ask your help, and as you
have called us from many peoples to be one
nation, grant that, under your providence, our
country may share your blessings with all the
peoples of the earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who
lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

Birthdays of the Month

1 - Jeanne Flynn
 3 - Evelyn Benet
 7 - Ellie Chambers
 11 - Mary Ann Belair
 14 - Shirley Willis
 20 - Mikee Thompson
 23 - Judy O'Keefe & Brenda Roerty
 24 - Kim Liebsch
 29 - Margo McCaul



TEAM LEADERS

Team	Chair	Co-Chair
Advertising	Laura Foussekis	
Bake Sale	Donna Gray	Sally Cool
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	Kim Liebsch	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; Ann Marie Worosz; Mary Ann Ptaszniak; Marilyn Gutekenst; Ro Ayres

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; Allene Arvin, sister of Mikey Thompson; Stephanie Krueger, friend of Donna Gray; Gisele Harris, great niece of Laura Foussekis; Butch Connor, husband of Lil Connor; Diana, friend of Sandy Brassard; Sophia Patsy, cousin of Phyllis Riccelli; Bud Stouch, husband of Mary Stouch; Chris Graeber, nephew of Mary Stouch; Joe Randazzo, husband of Fran Randazzo; Judy Havel, friend of Sandy Brassard; Jessica Gilbreth, daughter of a parishioner; Frank McAlkich, brother of Connie Fuller; Deborah Brassard, sister-in-law of Sandy Brassard; Roberta Blomberg, mother of Laura Foussekis; Great grandchild-to-be of Ursula Canada; Patrick Noto, husband of Karen Muelhauser; Greg Tynes, friend of Becky Chidester

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; Patricia Nagle Hastings, aunt of Mikey Thompson; Robert Caffro, brother of Ro Ayres and Julie Phelps; Dianne Cool, niece of Sally Cool; Barbara Gretencord; Joe Miller, uncle of Michele Miller; Kyle Myhre, nephew of Billie Markowitz; Laura McCaul, mother-in-law of Margo McCaul

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

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