

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWSLETTER

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Next Meeting:

March 10 -Lenten Reflection

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Guild Meeting

Our March meeting will be Monday, March 10. This will be our Lenten evening of reflection. We will gather a little earlier than usual, 5:00 pm, in the parish hall at St. Jude. All Guild members are welcome.

We hope this will be an evening of reflection as we begin the Lenten season. A light meal of make your own sandwiches will be provided by the Guild.

Our meeting date is after the time change to daylight savings so it should still be light out when the evening ends.

We hope to see you there.



Guild Book Club - Next Meeting & Book

Wednesday, March 19 @ 2:00 pm @ St. Jude

Beautiful Eucharist by Matthew Kelly

The book is a collection of life-changing reflections about Jesus truly present in the Eucharist and wonderfully present in our lives.

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

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 last book club meeting of this Guild year will be on Wednesday, May 21 at St. Jude. The book is *Tobit's Dog* by Michael Richard.



LENTEN FISH DINNERS



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

SIX Dinners each Friday from March 7 to April 11

Donations of baked desserts are needed each week. Please drop off any items at the parish hall beginning at 2:00 pm. The delicious homemade desserts are the "icing on the cake" to 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 activities.



WOMEN OF FAITH—SAINT ANASTASIA PATRICIA

Saint Anastasia the Patrician (Latin: Anastasia Patricia, Greek: Άναστασία Πατρικία, fl. 576) was a Byzantine courtier and later saint. She was a ladyin-waiting to the Byzantine empress Theodora. Justinian I, Theodora's husband, may have pursued her, as Theodora grew jealous of her. Anastasia, to avoid any trouble, left for Alexandria in Egypt. She arrived at a place called Pempton, near Alexandria, where she founded a monastery which would later be named after her. She lived with monastic discipline and wove cloth to support herself.

Following the death of Theodora in 548, Justinian attempted to get Anastasia to return to Constantinople, to no avail. Instead, Anastasia left for Scetis, looking for help from Abba Daniel, hegumen of the monastery at that time. To safeguard Anastasia, he let her move into a laura or monastery cell 18 miles from Scetis in the desert, and dress as a (male) monk and take up the life of a hermit at a time when this was only permitted to men. He visited her every week and ensured that one of his disciples supplied her with jugs of water. Anastasia dwelt in seclusion for twenty-eight years.

In 576, aware of her approaching death, she wrote several words for Abba Daniel on a piece of broken pottery and placed it at the entrance to the cave. The disciple found an ostracon with the words "Bring the spades and come here." When Daniel heard this, he knew Anastasia was near death. He went to visit her with his disciple and to give her communion and hear her last words. Daniel revealed the full details of her story to his disciple after her death.

Her story survives in one recension of the Copto-Arabic Synaxarion and by a tale of Daniel of Scetis. Her feast day is 10 March[^{2]} in the Eastern Orthodox Church, the Catholic Church, and on 26 Tobi in the calendar of the Coptic Church,[^{1]} the date of her death given in the Ethiopic *Life of Daniel of Scetis*.





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.

The Guild Trip to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception



1. Arrival at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception.



3. The chapel of the Immaculate Conception where Father Cal celebrated Mass for the group.



2. Taking the guided tour of the Basilica.



4. One of the many chapels in the Basilica.

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Birthdays of the Month

11 - Pam Conlon

28 - Suzanne Deslauriers



TEAM LEADERS

Team	Chair	Co-Chair
Advertising	Laura Foussekis	
Bake Sale	Donna Gray	Sally Cool
Banquet	Julie Phelps	Amber Harman
Book Club	Laura Foussekis	Bobbie Dorr
Christmas Bazaar	Connie Fuller	Donna Gray/Wendy Smith
		Shirley Willis—Silent Auction
Church Beautification	Joan Kelly	Kathleen Cunningham
Lenten Fish Dinners	Michele Miller	Julie Phelps
Martha & Mary Ministry	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; Mary Ann Ptasznik; Marilyn Gutekenst; Ro Ayres; Diana Rivera; Sr. Carrine Etheridge; Shirley Willis; Joan Kelly

For Family & Friends Health & Healing:

Patrick Noto, husband of Karen Muelhauser; Greg Tynes, friend of Becky Chidester; Margit Mertiny, sister of Ursula Canada; Bruno Noto, father-in-law of Karen Muelhauser; Alene Arvin, sister of Mikee Thompson; Debbie Brassard, sister-in-law of Sandy Brassard; Joe Starkey, friend of Becky Chidester; Linda Phelps, sister-in-law of Julie Phelps; Alice Hensley, Mary Adams, & Nancy Lloyd, cousins of Karen Donnelly; Cathleen Morgan, sister-in-law of Ellen Casale; Marian Green, sister of Judy Kavanagh; Dan Russell, husband of Jane Russell; Lizzie Gregor, daughter of Robin Edwards and granddaughter of Wendy Smith; Ethan Cody, a friend of Billie Markowitz; Janine Broadhurst, sister of Shelly Bocci; Chip Broadhurst, brother-in-law of Shelly Bocci; Grace Kopf, daughter-in-law of Maureen Kopf a member of the choir; Rita Schalk, sister of Ellen Casale; Ron Brassard, husband of Sandy Brassard; Dana Steele, wife of George Steele

Repose of the Soul:

Kathie Fridley; Grant Adkins, brother-in-law of Ro Ayres and Julie Phelps; Ann Marie Worosz; Patricia Martin, the daughter of a friend of Ursula Canada; Kris Horton, cousin of Laura Foussekis; Vicki Ashwell, friend of Michele Miller; Sigrid Gastoukian, mother-in-law of Ann Gastoukian; Jack Bohler, friend of Michele Miller

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