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Women of St. Joseph

MARCH 2019



President's Message

Dear W.O.S.J. also known as Angels,

We had a wonderful speaker at our February meeting and a good turnout. Navir Singh spoke about the Sikhs faith community and we've learned a lot. His lovely wife and a friend accompany him. They even brought some delicious traditional treat.

Laurie Kafer is putting together a bingo party for this summer. If anyone interest to organize the wine tasting trip or a fashion show, please let me know.

As far as I know we need a new President, Vice Presidents, Publicity, Helping Hands.

Happy St Patrick to all. As a same goal, we all can be Irish for a day, March 17th!

As always wishing you and yours the best.



I Love You Madelyn Rudy

WOSJ President

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!



March 6th	<i>Lenten Retreat 9:00 am</i> Dominican Sisters house
March 10th	<i>Trip to Rosie The Riveter in Richmond (Detail is below)</i>
March 29th	<i>Lenten Soup Night</i> 6:00 pm in church hall
	<i>NO MEETING ON MARCH 19th</i>



WOSJ Board Members 2018-2019 Need to be filled

As we are approaching the nomination of candidates for officers 2019-2020 in April's meeting, below is the list of open positions and the description for each.

The Executive Board:

- **PRESIDENT:** Shall preside at all meetings of the organization and at the monthly board meetings. She shall fill any executive board vacancy by appointment subject to the approval of the executive board.
- **VICE PRESIDENTS:** (2) Shall preside over meetings and assume the duties of the President in the absence of the President. She shall help coordinate the speaker's arrangements for each general membership meeting and be a member of the Nominating Committee.

The Standing Committees:

- **PUBLICITY:** Shall publish announcements of all upcoming WOSJ events in the church bulletin and maintain the WOSJ bulletin board in the church. Shall submit articles to local newspapers and arrange for photographs and posters when requested. Shall maintain a current calendar of events and submit pictures for the WOSJ website.
- **HELPING HANDS:** Shall assist parishioners in times of emergency. Shall identify and coordinate community outreach opportunities as approved by the board.

Women of St Joseph organization need your leadership. Please give us a hand to keep our group on running as a spiritual, social and service organization. Any question or concern, please give Kim a call at 510-579-0580 or email at 2knguyen@gmail.com.



Welcome New Member

A big warm welcome to our new member **Joanne Kemp**. May this ministry and its congregation offer you the opportunity to grow spiritually.



Helping Hands and Hospitality

- Do not let a transportation problem stop you from attending our meetings or events. If you need a ride, please call **Gloria Reed** at 510-790-0901.
- If there are members who would like to donate desserts to our meetings, please contact **Lauri Kaefer** at 510-791-1980 or email at lkaefer@comcast.net.



Women of St. Joseph Polo Shirts

WOSJ POLO SHIRTS are a symbol of unity and provide visibility for our organization when participating as a group in service or other gatherings. It is \$20 and are now available in sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, and 3XL. Contact **Nancy Dorighi** at 510-657-7543 or email at ndorighi@comcast.net



Prayer Shawl Ministry

For those of you who are not familiar with this ministry, we knit or crochet or quilt a shawl or a lap blanket for men and women. While we are making them, we pray for healing and the Priest prays and blessing for the people they are intended.

We have several prayer shawls available for those in need of comfort and support. Please let Donna Phair know if you wish to have one presented. Please contact **Donna Phair** at 510-651-9307 or email at phair_math@yahoo.com.



Pocket Prayer Squares

We would like to accumulate a large amount to put in a basket at the back of the church for church members to take if they have a need for comfort. If you are able to help make these squares, please contact **Donna Phair** at 510-651-9307 or email at phair_math@yahoo.com.



*******Save the date:**



Lenten Day of Renewal Retreat Wednesday, March 6th 9:00 am

Ash Wednesday, March 6th will take place at Dominican House, it will begin at 9:00 am. Lunch will be provided. Please contact **Peggy Mosko** at 510-656-6605 by March 1st for a reservation.



Sunday, March 10th at 12:30 pm

Trip to Rosie The Riveter in Richmond

You and a guest are invited to join your fellow WOSJ members on a field trip to the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historic Park. This outing was rescheduled from last November due to poor air quality from the CA fires. Cost is FREE

The national park features exhibits and films on the World War II home front: the people who worked in the defense industry and other jobs, daily life, and social changes accelerated by the changing home front culture.

WHERE: Rosie the Riveter/WWI Home Front National Historic Park
1414 Harbour Way South, Suite 3000, Richmond

WHEN: 12:30 pm - Meet at the Park'n'Ride lot at 680 and Mission Blvd. to carpool
1:30 pm - Lunch at Assemble Restaurant, a three-minute walk from the Park
2:30 pm – 5:00 pm - Self-guided tour of the Park's Visitor Center

Don't want to carpool? No problem. The Historic Park is located at 1414 Harbour Way South, Suite 3000 in Richmond, CA and is open 10:00 am – 5:00 pm. Please RSVP so I know you are going.

Don't want to do lunch? No problem. You can just enter the Park Visitor Center upon arrival. Note: there is an optional Bay Trail Walk from 2:00-3:00 pm

*** Please RSVP ***: Reply to this email or leave a message on my phone by March 6th with the number attending and if you can drive. The park requests advance notice for groups greater than 10. You are welcome to bring a spouse, friend, relative, etc. (My hubby's coming.) This should be an interesting tour and I hope you can come.



Lenten Soup Night

Friday, March 29th

6:00 pm

WOSJ will be sponsoring the *Lenten Soup Supper* on March 29th; before Stations of the Cross. This is a great opportunity for us to get together for dinner, fellowship and reflection. The Soup Supper starts at 6:00 pm and Stations of the Cross starts at 7:00 pm.

WOSJ bring meatless soups, rolls, and beverages to provide for 40 people. We need to bring 7 or 8 soups; each in a crockpot and bread, rolls, crackers. Please contact Lauri Kaefer at 510-791-1980 or email at lkaefer@comcast.net for more in detail.

How It Went

Meet A Sikh: Navir Singh presented a slide show on "Who are the Sikhs". He gave a very informative talk and gladly took questions and answers. The meeting was well attended.



Happy Birthday to those born
in March

Alba Olivares	3/13	Gerry Fulks	3/19
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Spring



March is the month dedicated to St Joseph the worker. His feast day is March 19th.

A novena to St. Joseph the Worker is suitable for those times when you have an important ongoing project or assignment that you are having trouble completing. One prays it daily for 9 days. You can also pray to St. Joseph for help finding employment. The prayer asks God to instill in you the same patience and diligence associated with St. Joseph.

O God, the Creator of all things, you have laid the law of labor upon the human race. Grant, we beseech You, that by the example and protection of St. Joseph we may perform the work You command and attain to the reward that You promise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

St. Joseph is also considered the patron of a happy death. In one of the prayers to St. Joseph, the prayer says, "*How fitting it was that at the hour of your death Jesus should stand at your bedside with Mary, the sweetness and hope of all mankind. You gave your entire life to the service of Jesus and Mary.*"

Donna Phair

Spiritual Chairperson