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Women of St. Joseph

NOVEMBER 2019



President's Message

Ladies of St. Joseph,

The following Tuesday, we had our regular meeting. I hope that you'll find November just as interesting. We'll have a table at the Ministry Fair on November 9 and 10. Please stop by the table to talk to parishioners that are interested in what we do. I had fun working with Jan Giovanni-Hill to narrow down the number of photos to under 25 for the Poster that we will display. Come by and look at some of the events you attended or meant to attend in the past few months.

For those that like movies, Charlie's Angels will be released on November 15 in the local theaters. I've been watching the previous Charlie's Angels movie, and I liked the quote "Angels cannot be made they must be discovered, and each one of them are unique."

Lauri Kaefer will be hosting this year's Christmas Tea. It will be held on December 8. More info to follow next month.

Have a great month as we get ready for the holiday season. I hope to see everyone at the Ministry Fair and the November 19 meeting.

Blessings,

Judy Huckabay

WOSJ President

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Membership

Membership Notes

- WOSJ membership due for 2019-2020. It is \$20 payable by cash or check (preferred) made out to “ST. JOSEPH CHURCH” with WOSJ in the Memo section of the check. It can mail out to Canice McLaughlin 40623 Encanto Way, Fremont, CA 94539.



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 *Norma Neto* at 510-651-9263.
- 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 *Canice McLaughlin* at 510-490-0737 or email at canice@comcast.net



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Please continue your supplications for all our ill and dying. Please pray also for all those facing physical and emotional challenges and those affected by the terrible fires in California and all over the world. Let us know if you know anyone who could use the love, prayer, and caring represented by the gift of a prayer shawl. please contact Donna Phair at 510-651-9307 or email at phair_math@yahoo.com

Thank you for the volunteers to make prayer shawls. I will plan another session to teach anyone how to make one or just get together to pray and crochet/knit.



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

Elder Care

November 19, Tammy Duran, the Volunteer Coordinator for LIFE Elder Care services and volunteer opportunities will be discussing the 4 different programs they have in Fremont. Their mission is to empower the aging to live with independence AND interdependence by nourishing mind, body and spirit.

Family Bingo Night

February 22nd (Saturday) in the Parish Hall. Lauri Kaefer and the Family Bingo Night team have already started work for our February event. The proceeds will benefit St. Joseph's School and our Faith Formation Program. We are accepting donations of gift cards, new family games, passes/tickets to local family activities, or any items you think will attract interest for our raffle baskets, including baskets to put our items in.

Donations should be provided to the raffle committee by February 8th. If you have any questions contact Lorraine Leen at 510 366-2826 or email at lorraine@leen.com

How It Went



Sunol Water Temple Tour and Bea Taus' Luncheon

We have a wonderful Sunol Water Temple Tour and luncheon. There were 23 people that attended the Sunol Water Temple Tour. The docent started the presentation, "San Francisco is a Desert. Pat Samuels went into detail of how the Sunol Water Company started up in the late 1800s and eventually become part of the San Francisco Water District. It was very Gusty winds, but the presentation was well worth it.

In spite of the town of Sunol being under PGE blackout on October 10, Casa Bella restaurant hosted 30 of us to wish Bea good luck in her new home. Kim presented Bea with a "yearbook" of photos of the years' events, and all those attended left a note for Bea.

Those that attended had a great time, and I was impressed with the big turnout. The Casa Bella staff did a great job hosting us on a day the city of Sunol was blacked out.

Presentation on Dominican History

Our speaker was Sister Mary Catherine Antzack who told us how a group of very young sisters from Brooklyn, New York travelled to Fremont in the 1870s, with the mission of education. The sisters were very self-sufficient, spinning the wool for their habits, sewing the habits, printing the books for their classes, carving furniture for their chapel, and raising much of the food that they ate.

I was happy to see Vivian Mason at our meeting, and Donna Phair presented a prayer shawl to her.



*Happy Birthday to those born
in November*

Julie Kille	Nov 3	Lupita Angst	Nov 15
Kathy Shelly	Nov 16		



November is the month of all souls. Prayers are requested for all the deceased loved ones of the Women of Saint Joseph.

Almighty God, help me in these fleeting days that I may not use my time to consider and hesitate, but be positive in my desires and pursue them. Grant that I may have the strength to hold each day precious, and live it more than consistently. Please share with my loved ones the grace of Your love in this month of all souls. Amen.

*Donna Phair
Spiritual Chairperson*