President’s Message

Spring is here and Easter is right around the corner. I give thanks to be blessed to be surrounded by a wonderful community and great group of women! Thank you for all you do and being part of our lives.

Thank you for coming out to hear Deacon Lance. Look forward to seeing you this month.

Here is to wishing you all a wonderful, happy Easter!

Many Blessings,

Debi Murata

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS— Mark Your Calendars!

Apr 19  Board Meeting  6:30pm  Museum
General Meeting  7:30pm  Museum
Meet at the Museum of Local History
Speaker/Tour by: Regina Dennie

Please see below for location & directions

May 17  Board Meeting  6:30pm  Parish Hall
General Meeting  7:30pm  Parish Hall

Membership Notes

Thank you for sending in your membership dues. I would like to encourage all members to invite your St. Joseph lady friends to join our organization. It's a great way to help others, be aware of the needs of our parish, to meet, socialize and work with other ladies in our parish community. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call Diana Skokan at 408 258-7442.

Please Note: We would like to take photos of our members. Look for a friendly photographer, one of the Board members, to snap your picture at one of our upcoming meetings.
Helping Hands
If anyone would like to attend our monthly meeting but needs transportation, please call so that a ride can be arranged for you.
Madelyn Rudy  683-3816

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Thanks to a generous donation, there are now many shawls and lap blankets available for the prayer shawl ministry. Please let me know if you know of someone who would like one of these. Remember, the prayer shawl or lap blanket is not always for someone who is ill. It can also be for someone who is achieving a great accomplishment or has something exciting happening in their life.  Thanks, Sherry Dunn

Women of St. Joseph Nominations for 2011-2012
Nominations are being accepted for open board positions for next year. Please contact Nancy Dorighi at ndorighi@comcast.net, 657-7543 with your suggestions to fill Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Helping Hands, and Newsletter. You may also nominate yourself. We will vote at the May meeting. Consider the call to stewardship Father Manny often talks about, and whether it is time for you to give back to WOSJ.

Nancy

We Need Your Help!

#1 Easter Vigil
The WOSJ have been asked to help with the Easter Vigil this year. They are looking to have the WOSJ donate food/desserts for a light reception.  If you are able to make and/or donate something, please let Debi Murata know as soon as possible.

#2 Jubilee Celebration
This year our community will be celebrating Monsignor Manny’s 50th Jubilee Celebration. The celebration will take place on Saturday, June 11th.  All the ministries will be participating in the celebration.

It has been asked that the WOSJ take part and run the kitchen. What will this include? We will need volunteers to help in the kitchen, keep the flow smooth and keep the kitchen clean. Other ministries will be responsible for bringing food, setting up their station and putting their food out. We are expecting a lot of people. We would appreciate any and all the help we can get. If you are available, please let Debi Murata know that you are able to help. If you have any questions, please contact Debi.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of our parish.

Coming Events

April Meeting  April 19th
We will be meeting at the Museum of Local History. Our own Regina Dennie will be our tour guide and speaker. Please meet us at the Museum at 7:30 p.m. It is located at 190 Anza St. in Fremont. From St. Joseph’s, drive south on Mission Blvd, at turn right at Anza.  (See map below)
Wine Tasting Trip (New Date!) Saturday, April 30th

You and your spouse and/or guests are invited to an afternoon of wine tasting in Los Gatos/San Jose.

When: Saturday, April 30th, 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Where: Testarossa Winery and J. Lohr Winery
Cost: $15 per person (includes 2 winery tastings + lunch)
Meet: Park & Ride lot at Mission Blvd and 680 at 10:30 a.m. to carpool.

Maps and directions will be provided.

Details: We will start with a Grand Old Winery Tour at 11:30 am at Testarossa Winery in Los Gatos, followed by picnic lunch on the Testarossa property. Testarossa is on the site of the historic Novitiate Winery started by the Jesuits in 1888. At 2:00 pm we proceed to J. Lohr Winery in San Jose, where we will have a private tasting.

IMPORTANT: This tour is limited to 25 people. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED for all attendees to provide an accurate count for the tastings and lunch. To reserve your spot, send a check payable to "WOSJ" to Nancy Dorighi, 44142 Boitano Dr., Fremont, CA 94539 by April 24. If you have questions, contact Margherita McIntosh at mvmcintsh@aol.com (657-3349) or Nancy Dorighi at ndorighi@comcast.net (657-7543).

March Meeting
Deacon Lance and his wife, Terri, joined us for our March meeting. Lance & Terri discussed his road to becoming a deacon. They shared the long process, their joint journey, and how this ministry affected them both. It was an interesting and enlightening evening. We are thankful that Deacon Lance and Terri are ministering amongst us. Thank you to both.
Sister Gonzaga’s Tea
The tea was wonderful, as always, and another huge success. This year Sherry Dunn decorated two tables for WOSJ. One was themed Mickey Mouse Club and the second was themed The Disney Princesses. The food was fabulous, the entertainment was really fun, and the tables were once again decorated beyond belief. The theme this year was Flower Power, with music from the 60s and 70s. Our Princess table was the most popular, with the number of guests going from 5 to 8 by the time the tea started.

WOSJ Lenten Retreat
Eight of our members carpooled up to Danville for a Lenten Day of Renewal. It was a truly beautiful and peaceful day at San Damiano. Most of the day was spent in quiet reflection with Fr. Rusty Shaughnessy, OFM as the speaker.

Happy Birthday to those born in April

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May the glory
and the promise
of this joyous time of year
Bring peace
and happiness to you
and those you hold most dear,

And may Christ,
Our Risen Saviour,
always be there by your side
To bless you
most abundantly
and be your loving guide.

Happy Easter to all!

*Lisa Maya*

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Mail this slip with a check for $20 payable to "Women of St. Joseph" to:

**Diana Skokan 1355 Jacklin Rd. Milpitas, CA 95035** or bring to the next meeting

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