President's Message

Happy New Year to you all!! I hope this is the best new year you have ever experienced!!

I want to begin by letting you know how blessed I feel to be a part of your Catholic lives—and learning from you about what it means to be active, caring, and effective Catholic Christians in a very hectic world.

Once again, our goal is to honor God by teaching His Word and enriching the lives of others. We can achieve this by being committed to God and His ministry and building and uplifting each other from within, so that we can successfully reach beyond ourselves into the community to reach a world that needs to know Jesus Christ.

During the year, if you see or hear of an event that you think others might be interested in attending, please let me know. I am trying to come up with Saturday or Sunday events that we can attend. Either email me or phone me to let me know of the events.

Blessings and Hugs to you all,

Sherry Dunn
President

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!

Jan 13 2012
Seniors' Holiday Celebration

Jan 17
Board Meeting 6:30pm Church Hall
General Meeting 7:30pm Church Hall
Topic: Religious Diversity in Fremont (DVD)

Please invite your family and friends
**Membership Notes**

Those ladies that have not yet paid the June 2011 - June 2012, please send a check to Diana Skokan. The dues still remain at $20 for the entire year. If you have any questions regarding your dues, please call Diana at 408-258-7442. Thank you.

Diana Skokan  
WOSJ Membership Chair  
408-258-7442 or dskokana1@aol.com

**Helping Hands**

If you know anyone that would like to attend our meetings and/or events but needs transportation, please contact Liz Hormel (656-8495). She will arrange for one of our members to assist in having the need met. Also, let Liz know of anyone needing help from WOSJ.

**Women of St. Joseph polo shirts**

Sherry has ordered WOSJ polo shirts, if you would like to purchase one. The prices are according to size:


**Coming Events**

**DVD on Fremont’s religious diversity**

**Jan 17th 7:45 pm**

*Fremont USA (A City’s Encounter with Religious Diversity)*: This film explores the complex and challenging issues of religious diversity in Fremont, a city transformed by new immigration. Through civic engagement and interfaith action, Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, and Buddhists have gone from being strangers to neighbors in this American city. In December 2008, *Fremont, USA* won an Accolade Award. Since *Fremont USA* was released in Dec 2008, it has been shown at high schools, universities, senior centers churches, community centers and interfaith centers.

The film was developed by the Pluralim Project, Harvard University, produced and directed by Rachel Antell and Elinor Pierce, and is approximately 1 hour in length.

Please come join us for this enlightening topic. We encourage you to bring your spouse, friends, and neighbors.
Happy Birthday to those born in January

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As this year ends and a new one begins, I reflect on the events of my past, the lessons learned, and the wisdom gained. I see life from a different perspective today then I did a decade, a year or even a month ago. My circumstances have changed and so have I.

I am continually honing my skills at living a life of purpose and meaning. I think before I speak, knowing my words have power, my actions are deliberate, hopeful, and positive.

I reflect on my past and what I have created. As I move forward I bring with me the best of what I was, and I create the best from what is. Thoughtfully, prayerfully and purposefully, I am ready for a new beginning.

Taken from The Daily Word for Dec 31, 2011

~ Nancy Newman
Spiritual Chairperson

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Mail to this slip and 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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Address __________________________________________________________________
City, state, zip __________________________ Phone ________________________
E-mail Address _________________________ Birthday (month & day) ___________
Husband’s Name ________________________