Happy Valentine’s Day to Everyone!! The Catholic Church recognizes at least three different saints named Valentine or Valentinus, all of whom were martyred. One legend contends that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. When Emperor Claudius II decided that single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, he outlawed marriage for young men. Valentine, realizing the injustice of the decree, defied Claudius and continued to perform marriages for young lovers in secret. When Valentine's actions were discovered, Claudius ordered that he be put to death. Celebrating St. Valentine is about love: love for our spouses, significant others, family, friends and our community here at St. Joseph’s. Take this time to think about the beautiful loving relationships that you have. I am blessed to consider you all part of the family that I love. Give your thanks to God for blessing us with our community and our relationships.

This month we have Sara Rozanno, our former Treasurer, speaking about affordable travel. She will talk about exchange clubs, B&B travelling etc. It sounds VERY interesting for those of us who can’t afford expensive travel. Bring your husbands and friends to a very enjoyable evening!

Blessings and Hugs to you all,

Sherry Dunn
President
UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!

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Membership Notes
Those ladies that have not yet paid the June 2012 - June 2013, please send a check to Diana Skokan. The dues still remain at $20 for the entire year, which is from June 1 to May 31, according to the by-laws.

Financial contribution by joining the WOSJ is valued; to support the WOSJ’s various charities, events; even though the member may not be able to actively participate.

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


Affordable Travel Tuesday, Feb 19th 7:30pm
Sara Rozanno, member of WOSJ, will be speaking on her experience with exchange clubs. She and her husband have done some extensive travel at very low costs and she is going to share with us how they do that.

Abode Homeless Shelters Tuesday, March 19th 7:30pm
Jean Morgan, Community Outreach Director, will present information on Abode’s Homeless Shelters.

We will also be filling Easter bags for the homeless in their shelters. It was so fun last year and Abode REALLY appreciated the bags.
LENTEN DAY OF RENEWAL, San Damiano, Danville  
Friday, March 8th 9am-3pm  
Father Pat Foley will be our speaker again this year. Per San Damiano, each day of renewal incorporates a Lenten theme and will conclude with Mass. The cost of $30 includes lunch.

Save the date!  
March 22nd

Deacon Lance has requested the Women of St. Joseph to provide soup for the Friday night Stations of the Cross on Friday night, March 22. Per Deacon Lance, Each ministry needs to provide a non-meat soup, rolls, bread, biscuits, (not all of these items) and a drink. We need to be ready to serve at 6pm. Let Sherry know if you are able to provide some part of the meal or if you would like to help make the soup.

How It Went

January Meeting
We had a really informative meeting about Learning Ally and how they began and how they got to the place they are now. They are able to help so many learning disabled persons with their recorded text books.

Happy Birthday
Happy Birthday to those born in February

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A Heart of Gratitude

I have a heart of gratitude
For all You've given me.
I daily reap Your blessings
And I'm thankful as can be.
I thank You for the breath of life,
For health and strength each day.
I'm thankful for the food and clothes
You've seen fit to send my way.
I thank You for the sun and rain,
For flowers all in bloom.
You fill my life with beauty;
There's no place at all for gloom.
Your presence is like sunshine
That lifts my spirit high.
You teach me ways to serve You -
All I have to do is try.
As I survey the wondrous beauty
Of the world in which I live,
My heart responds with gratitude,
As my life to You I give.

Frances Culp Wolfe
Salesian Inspirational Books

Nancy Newman
Spiritual Chairperson

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