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# Women of St. Joseph

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**SPIRITUAL, SOCIAL AND SERVICE ORGANIZATION**

## President's Message

*Dear Women of St Joseph,*

*Hope you all had a wonderful summer! As we begin a new journey, I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new and current members! I pray that you will find personal fulfillment in being an active member of the Women of St. Joseph.*

*My deepest gratitude to our Executive Board and Committee Members for their continued support, enthusiasm, and dedication to the Women of St Joseph!*

*Special thank you to Nancy Newman for her Spiritual guidance over the years. May God reward her as only He can.*

***Peggy Mosko** is now taking over Nancy's position as a **Spiritual leader**. For prayer requests, please email them to Peggy at [apmosko@comcast.net](mailto:apmosko@comcast.net). **Margaret Purcell-Briskin** is now our new **Secretary**. Thank you and welcome Margaret!*

*Your presence at all events and meetings are always a great encouragement to me. Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, September 19—this is our 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BABY SHOWER. Please make every effort to attend. Come and meet and get to know our members; and bring your new ideas and suggestions to help our team thrive.*

***Together**, we can do good things for our Parish Community.*

*Sincerely,*



*Kim Nguyen*  
WOSJ President

**UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS--- Mark Your Calendars!**



<b>Sept 19<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>6:00pm</b> Church Hall</span> <b>General Meeting</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>7:00pm</b> *Detail below</span> <span style="float: right;"><i>19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BABY SHOWER</i></span>
<b><i>Sept 24<sup>th</sup></i> SUNDAY</b>	<b><i>21<sup>st</sup> Annual Mass</i></b> <b><i>ST JOSEPH PARISH</i></b> <span style="float: right;"><b>9:00am mass</b></span> <b><i>Brunch to follow at Spin-A-Yarn Restaurant</i></b>
<b>October 4<sup>th</sup> WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>“Liturgy of Light” At Mission San Jose</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>5:00pm</b></span>
<b>October 17<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY</b>	<b>Board Meeting</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>6:00pm</b> Church Hall</span> <b>General Meeting</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>7:00pm</b> Church Hall</span>



**Welcome New Member**

A big warm welcome to our new members: *Irma Snortum, Maria Castain, Julie Kille, Aimee Hubacek, Jan Giovannini-Hill, Regina Miceli, and Martha Magana.* May this ministry and its congregation offer you the opportunity to grow spiritually.



**Helping Hands**

Do not let a transportation problem stop you from attending our meetings or events. If you need a ride, please call Madelyn Rudy at 510-683-3816 or 510-304-1938.



**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 will be available in sizes S, M, L, XL, 2XL, and 3XL. Contact Nancy Dorigi at 510-657-7543 or email at [ndorigi@comcast.net](mailto:ndorigi@comcast.net)



**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry is in dire need of prayer shawls or lap blankets. If anyone can donate one, it would be greatly appreciated.

For those of you who are not familiar with this ministry, we knit or crochet or quilt a shawl, for women, or a lap blanket, for men and women. While we are making them, we pray for healing for the people they are intended. Then, when complete, I take them to a Priest and ask that the Priest prays for the intended person and bless the blanket.

If you have one completed, or are in the process of making one and would like to donate it, please contact Sherry Dunn at 510-471-6224 or email at [solodmom@aol.com](mailto:solodmom@aol.com). We currently do not have any shawls or lap blankets in our possession.



## Pocket Prayer Squares

Recently, our very own Spirituality Chairperson, Peggy Mosko, shared with us something she brought back from one of the churches she visited during her many travels. She asked Sherry Dunn, Prayer Shawl Chairperson, to make these for her ministry. They are called: "Pocket Prayer Squares." Sherry Dunn, Sara Rozanno, and Carol Lee Chan have been working on these and have finished quite a few of them.

75 were recently blessed by Father Anthony at the Cancer Support Group event for August and they were given out to the group. Like the Prayer Shawls, these are prayed over by the person making them and then blessed by a Priest. They can be placed in your pocket and, when you are in need of comfort, just reach in your pocket and rub the square.

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 Sherry Dunn at 510-471-6224 or email at [solodmom@aol.com](mailto:solodmom@aol.com).



## WOSJ Baby Shower

**Tuesday, Sept 19<sup>th</sup>**

There is a change of venue for this year's baby shower! Marge' Brant, Executive Director Real Options Pregnancy Medical Clinics (formerly Pregnancy Choices), will be welcoming us to their facility in Union City. Michael Cobb, St Rose Hospital Foundation Executive Director, plans to join us.

Marge' Brant expressed her excitement in having us visit the center to have our meeting, and a tour of the facility. Women of St Joseph member Lauri Kaefer, will reveal the history of our annual event.

*Let's carpool to Real Option Pregnancy Choices in Union City, just 8 miles north of St Joseph Church. Arrive at the church parking lot no later than 6:40 to carpool, or meet us at Pregnancy Choices\*. Meeting starts at 7:00pm in their board room.*

If you have not already purchased or made items for the baby shower, please consider our two beneficiaries request items below. We are the **only** organization that donates to their cause!

### **Donated Baby Goods:**

Diapers (newborn or size 4), receiving blankets, hooded towels, washcloths, baby lotion, shampoo & baby wash, sleepers (0-6 months), socks, T-shirts, baby outfits (0-6 months) small stuffed animals, teething rings

Many thanks in advance for your generosity to these organizations and for living the Word by caring for the less fortunate. Contact Adrienne Stephens at 510-651-8672 or email at [ecoaes@comcast.net](mailto:ecoaes@comcast.net) with any questions.

\*Real Options Pregnancy Medical Clinic: 33523 Western Ave. Union City, CA 94587, (510) 487-4357, [www.friendsorealoptions.net](http://www.friendsorealoptions.net)



**21<sup>st</sup> Annual Mass                      Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>                      9:00 am**  
We are going to have WOSJ 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Mass together with the Men's Club on September 24, 2017, at 9:00 am Mass. Brunch reception to follow immediately after Mass at Spin-A-Yarn restaurant located at 45915 Warm Springs Blvd, Fremont, CA 94539.

You and your spouse are cordially invited. *If your husband belongs to the Men's Club, you can sign up with your husband. The cost is \$20 per person (tax and tip included). Coffee and tea will be included, but alcohol and other drinks will be on a cash basis. Event registration form will be emailed to you soon.*

## How It Went

### Potluck and Installation Officers

On behalf of the Board and Committee members, I would like to thank you all for attending the Potluck and installation of the officers of 2017-2018. Your support, presence and love mean a lot to me.



### Hornblower July Brunch

We Sailed the Ocean Blue and More! *A totally lovely day was had by all.* We arrived early for our brunch cruise to tour The Ferry Building shops and farmer's market. The moment we stepped on board Horn Blower we were greeted by our hosts and treated to champagne or Mimosas! The buffet abounded with an abundance of breakfast and lunch delights. We watched a whale show us his tail as we cruised under the Golden Gate Bridge. What a sight! The champagne got us up on our feet dancing to the great beats. Madelyn Rudy requested the ship's Troubadour play "It's A Wonderful World" and got up and shared her sign language skills to the delight of the entire ship as the Women's Club chimed in singing. We had so much fun that we did not want to go home!







## **Membership Drive and Ice Cream Socials**

We held a Membership Drive in July together with the Men's Club and our regular ice cream social in August. They were wonderful events! We have seven new members and met many parishioners introduced them to our organization. Thank you for your presence and support.

## **Backyard Barbeque**



Our annual backyard barbeque this year took place at Madelyn Rudy's home. The decorations by Adrienne and Judy were beautiful! Bea and Cynthia were good chefs! The foods were great! Thank you all for your delicious dishes. We all had a great time! Special thanks to Madelyn for being such gracious hosts!

***Save the date:***

• **Wednesday, October 4, 2017**

*Liturgy of Light: Solstice Illumination at Mission San Jose*

California Mission Solstice scholar, Ruben Mendoza, professor at California State University, Monterey, will give a presentation based on his many years of study on the significance of sunlight shining on mission altars certain times of the year in relationship to scripture.

The presentation begins at 5:00 pm in the Old Mission. We will witness the illumination phenomenon at 5:30 pm, and there will be a reception following on the Mission patio.

For more information, contact Adrienne Stephens at 510-651-8672 or email at [ecoaes@comcast.net](mailto:ecoaes@comcast.net). Nancy Dorighi at 510-657-7543 or email at [ndorighi@comcast.net](mailto:ndorighi@comcast.net). Watch for a forthcoming email to help with refreshments, set-up and hospitality.

• **Friday, October 13, 2017**

*Catholic Charities of the East Bay Transforming Lives - Annual Fundraising Luncheon*

This past April, Sween Gardner and her team from Catholic Charities which included CEO Chuck Fernandez, gave the Women's Club their ***Transforming Lives Presentation***. Were you moved by learning the many outreach efforts to the less fortunate that Catholic Charities accomplishes for our Diocese, or would like to learn more?

Consider attending their 3rd Annual Fundraising Luncheon. The complimentary lunch program includes more information on their work through stories and testimonials. Blessing by the Most Reverend Bishop Barber.

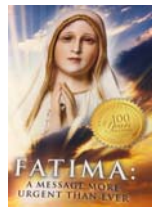
Bea Taus has signed up to be a table sponsor for The Women of St Joseph. For more information or to sign up to attend the event, contact Adrienne Stephens at 510-651-8672 or email at [ecoaes@comcast.net](mailto:ecoaes@comcast.net).



Happy Birthday to those born  
in September

Maryam Mohammadi	Sept 3	Martha Magana	Sept 4
Liz Hormel	Sept 5	Colleen Perez	Sept 16
Dawn Skala	Sept 23	Jan Giovannini_Hill	Sept 28

## Spiritual Corner



### **THE ANGEL'S PRAYER**

*With the Blessed Sacrament suspended in the air, the angel at Fatima prostrated himself, and recited the prayer:*

*O most Holy Trinity—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—I adore thee profoundly. I offer thee the most Precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ— present in all the tabernacles of the world—in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. By the infinite merits of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of poor sinners.*

*Peggy Mosko  
Spiritual Chairperson*