

ST. LAURENCE LADIES GUILD

"Here to serve, not to be served." Matthew 20:28

October 2025

Thought for the Month: Take Time to Slow Down

A true story took place in 1976 at the Seattle Special Olympics. Nine contestants, all physically or mentally disabled, assembled at the starting line for the 100-yard dash. At the gun, they all started, not exactly in a dash, but with a relish to run the race to the finish and win.

All, that is, except one little boy who stumbled and began to cry. Two of the others heard the boy cry. They slowed down and looked back. Then they turned around and went back. While the other contestants struggled to make it to the finish line, the two who had turned around to run in the other direction reached for the boy and helped him to his feet. Then the three linked arms and walked together to the finish line. Everyone in the stadium stood, and the cheering went on for several minutes.



Ladies Guild Praying Hands is one powerful prayer chain. Send prayer requests to sllgprayers@gmail.com



Ladies Guild Calendar

Oct 9th — Sole Loved Bingo—TX Biergarten
Oct 16th — Mtg. Service Project— Parish Hall
Oct 19th — Donut Sunday
Oct 19th — Angela House Bunco
Oct 29th — Pocket Prayer Shawl
Nov 13th — Sole Loved Bingo —TX Biergarten
Nov 16th — Angela House Bunco
Nov 20th — Shop 'til u drop —Ave Maria
Dec 3rd — Annunciation Church Tour
Dec 14th — Angela House Bunco
Dec 18th — Christmas Party—Ave Maria

People who were there are still telling the story... Why? Because deep down we know this one thing: What matters in this life is more than winning for ourselves. What matters in this life is helping others win, even if it means slowing down and changing our course.

Donut Sunday October 19th



Ladies Guild is hosting Donut Sunday after the 7 am, 9 am, & 11 am Mass. This is a wonderful way to serve our Parish. Please be on the lookout for a Sign Up Genius!



LG CREATIONS Needs YOU

Ladies Guild Creations

STUD is fast approaching. For those who are **donating** items to sell in the booth, please feel free to bring to the Ladies Guild Meeting on October 16. We need to collect all donations by November 1. If we don't receive your items at the meeting, we will contact you to coordinate a time to collect your donations.

We are still collecting the following, the last two items have been added to the previous list:

Jewelry – earrings, pendants, brooches, bracelets, watches, necklaces plus beads & charms. Broken or missing pieces? No problem! We take them!

Picture Frames – All sizes

Paper – solid color cardstock, scrapbooking paper, cut-aparts, etc.

Storage Bins – 28 qt or larger, preferably in “like new” condition

Yarn - all types including chunk

Wood or styrofoam balls

By stocking our teams with donated items, our crafters will avoid out of pocket expenses and keep creativity flowing. And here's the exciting part: our ultimate goal is to make LG Creations available **all year long**—not only at *Shop 'til U Drop*, but also at Ladies Guild meetings and through our new Facebook group, **LG Creations** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ladiesguildlgcreations>.

The LG Creations Team

Anne, Debbie, Judy, Miche & Molly

LG Creations Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ladiesguildlgcreations>



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<https://angelahouse.org>

Many thanks to all the Angela House supporters who helped make our monthly Sunday Bunco games on September 21 such a wonderful success. We could not have done it without our players Joan Brennecke, Shawna Callaghan, Dondria Cooper, **Carol Giardina**, **Anne Hansel**, **Teresa Humphreys**, **Norma Knoebel**, Cathy Lamb, Judy McCullough, Linda Panek, Elizabeth and **Judy Schockling**, and Pam Smolen and everyone who donated snacks including **Carol Griesser**, Kathy Hensler, **Teresa Humphreys**, **Norma Knoebel**, Judy McCullough, and Linda Panek. Thanks also to **Judy Schockling** and family for contributing travel bags for the residents.

We appreciate all the Angela House ladies Regina, Kimberly, Erica, Amanda, Denise, Stephanie, Danielle, Deloris, Megan, and Courtney who joined us for 19 games, including one with a score of 21-0! We had some of the highest and lowest scoring games in our six years of playing.



Birthday celebrants,
Kim, Regina & Denise

A special shout out to our personal chauffeur **Anne Hansel**.

Our visits to Angela House are truly a group effort. Please consider contributing your time to these remarkable women.



by Teresa Humphreys



September 2025 Bunco



Bunco Winners, Deloris, Kim & Denise

**Our next games days are
September 21st,
October 19th,
November 16th, &
our special
December 14th
Christmas Bunco
so mark your**



Magdalene Bryant, Rose Marie Fuller, Michelle Manukonda,
Magna Cayll, Janet Hill & Linda Panek



Joy Eckelkamp, Tina Dougherty & Andi Maceo

Welcome Back Dinner & Bunco September 18th

50 Ladies gathered for a Baked Potato Dinner, to hear about upcoming social and volunteer activities and to reconnect with both old and new friends. We welcome 9 new members!



Judy Schockling, Joanie O'Daniel, Shirley Pannapara, Gail Anawaty, Debbie Abbott, Anne Hansel, Yvonne Watt, Allyson Morrison, Josie Vranish, Reji Thomas, Cathy Topper, Judy Meador, Norma Spaulding & Carol Giardina



Julianne Salverson, Teresa Humphreys, Julie Badrick & Pat Rega



Reji Thomas, Sandra Mendez & Sue Jordan



Aimee Pisano, Marilyn Seiler & Inez Dauterive
Bunco Loser, Winner, & Bunco QUEEN



Linda Pedersen, Joy Eckelkamp, Monica Williams,
Linda Holifield & Rosa DuQue



Norma Knoebel, Mari
Griesser, Aimee
Pisano, Marilyn Seiler
& Carol Griesser



Sandra Surginer, Karen Abramski, Cristina Carlson, Ella
Guillory, Inez Dauterive, Jeannie Dobrava & Dixie Jesko



Rita Dunphy, Carol Giardina &
Sharon Ehrenkranz

Please Welcome our New Members!



Rita Dunphy



Sharon Ehrenkranz



Mari Griesser



Sylvia Gutierrez



Dixie Jesko



Allyson Morrison



Aimee Pisano



Reji Thomas



Marilyn Seiler

Rolling Stones Tribute Band — September 13th



Hot Rocks, a Rolling Stones tribute band from Houston, TX, brought the biggest hits of The Rolling Stones to life in Sugar Land Town Center!



Attending were **Barbara Bolling, Julianne Salverson, Judy Schockling, Mandy Pereira, Gail Anawaty, Joanie O'Daniel, Sue Jordan, Jody Tancred, Cathy Topper, Carol Giardina** and **Allyson Morrison** and many spouses. Everyone agreed that the band was superb!



Pocket Prayer Shawl September 15th

Joanie O'Daniel hosted The Flock Project on September 15th. **Judy Schockling, Jessica Barry, Linda Juge, Joanie O'Daniel, Gail Anawaty, Sandra Surginer, Carol Giardina, Allyson Morrison, Elize West, & Julianne Salverson** attended. **2,023 PPS** have been crafted and **1,776** have been distributed.



The next meeting will be **Gail Anawaty's** on Wednesday, October 29th from 10-12.

The Flock Project

Many more need to be made!
Interested in learning how to knit or crochet? Contact Gail Anawaty
ganawaty@gmail.com

Funeral Receptions Ministry

by Carol Giardina, Judy
Schockling, & Joanie O'Daniel



The following contributed
food for the September
reception:

A big thanks to the following ladies who served at 1
funeral reception during the month of September:
**Judy Schockling, Norma Knoebel, Joanie O'Daniel,
Carol Giardina, Sharon Gonzales, Molly Hayman &
Gail Anawaty**

Tina Dougherty	Janet Hill
Carol Inamdar	Carole Kanusky
Melissa Lange	Luanne Marconi
Carol McDonough	Barbara Roy
Jane Waguespack	



There were no
Meals provided during the
month of September.

by Jeannette Freeman

The Meals That Heal Ministry provides meals to parishioners of St. Laurence who are in need of a little extra help during times of illness, after surgery or the birth of a baby. This ministry is a part of St. Laurence Ladies Guild, but membership is not a requirement for volunteering to help provide meals. Participating in Meals That Heal is a wonderful way to serve others! If you or a parishioner you know is in need of meals, or if you are interested in providing a meal to those in need, please contact:
Jeannette Freeman at ladiesguildmth@gmail.com

Membership

Fill out your membership application for 2025-2026 in an online format. Indicate your method of payment (check or cash) to drop off at the Parish Office (the box is checked weekly), bring to the first meeting, or give to Judy Schockling. [judyschock@aol.com](mailto:judychock@aol.com)

Scan the QR code or use this hyperlink: [Membership Form](#)



Need help filling out the online form? Call, text or email Andi Maceo: andimaceo@gmail.com, 713-823-0216



BIRTHDAYS

Carol Griesser	October 4
Joan Carl	October 5
Jeannette Freeman	October 9
Angelica Avellaneda	October 20

If you have a prayer request, email sllgprayers@gmail.com

PRAYER CORNER

By Maureen Ambrocik



The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. October includes the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7). Here is a short history lesson.

The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary. On **October 7, 1571**, a great victory over the mighty Turkish fleet was won by Catholic naval forces primarily from Spain, Venice, and Genoa

under the command of Don Juan of Austria. It was the last battle at sea between "oared" ships, which featured the most powerful navy in the world, a Moslem force with between 12,000 to 15,000 Christian slaves as rowers.

The patchwork team of Catholic ships was powered by the Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Knowing that the Christian forces were at a distinct material disadvantage, the holy pontiff, **St. Pope Pius V** called for all of Europe to pray the Rosary for victory.

We know today that the victory was significant, prevented the **Islamic invasion** of Europe, and evidenced the Hand of God working through Our Lady.

At the hour of victory, St. Pope Pius V, who was hundreds of miles away at the Vatican, is said to have gotten up from a meeting, went over to a window, and exclaimed with supernatural radiance: "**The Christian fleet is victorious!**" and shed tears of thanksgiving to God. What you may not know is that one of three admirals commanding the Catholic forces at Lepanto was Andrea Doria.

Source: <https://holyrosarypassaic.org/october-month-of-the-rosary>

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outside activities? Contact:**

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**Check out the St. Laurence Ladies
Guild page on the St. Laurence
Catholic Church website:**

Click Here:



As the committee prepares the LG Creations booth, we need to make sure we have everything we need to display all of our crafts. If you have a crafting project you are donating for **STUD on November 20**, please send in the attached form to Anne Hansel at gabp10@msn.com.



St. Laurence Ladies Guild

STUD - Crafter's Booth Sign-up Form

Event Information

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS We realized that many of our members are talented and produce beautiful items, then think, "I had fun making that, but what do I do with it now?" We have an answer for you. STUD 2024 will feature our very own Ladies Guild booth with handmade items **donated** by Ladies Guild members (& friends and family) to benefit our projects and charities! So, try that new project; make another baby blanket; make some more jewelry; sew another baby dress; have fun! We'll take it off your hands! It's a win for everyone! Watch our newsletters for more information. If you have immediate questions, call Anne Hansel at 281-615-0791. But don't just sit there, get busy!

Personal Information

Name

Phone

Email

Craft Details

Craft Description:

Quantity:

Cost to make: * \$

Selling Price Estimate: * \$

**Dollar amount should be per item. Please note that you will not be reimbursed for the cost of your time or materials.*

If your item is not sold, check one of the following:

Return to Crafter ☐

Donate to Charity ☐

Deadline for Entry Form: So that we can make sure we have enough items for a booth, please submit your form by August 1, 2024. However, if you come up with an idea after the deadline, please don't hesitate to submit for review. Complete your forms and submit to Anne Hansel at gabp10@msn.com.

Deadline for craft items to be submitted for sale will be November 1, 2024. We will communicate at a later date where items will need to be dropped off.