

ST. MONICA GUILD
THE GRAPEVINE 2026



Board Meeting: Thursday, September 3rd - 6:30 p.m.

HAPPY LABOR DAY! - **SEPTEMBER 7TH**

Jennings Social: Wednesday, September 16th - 2:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting - Thursday, September 17th - 6:30 p.m.

"The break is over, but the joy is just beginning. Welcome back!"

- Anonymous

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DEBBIE ROWINSKI – 216-970-7980

🍁 **Welcome Back, Ladies!** I can't believe we're already starting another Guild year. Where did the summer go? The days are getting shorter and cooler, the kids are back in school, baseball season is winding down, and football is gearing up. It's definitely beginning to feel like fall.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone as we kick off our new "season" with our **Annual Peterson's Nut Sale** at our first meeting on **Thursday, September 17th**.

I'm excited to work with our wonderful returning board members and to welcome a few new faces as well.

We are still looking for a Historian, and some committee members are planning to step down heading through this year. If you feel called to take the reins of our Grapevine newsletter or Sunshine Greetings, please let me know—we have great mentors who would be happy to guide you.

Wishing you a beautiful start to fall, whether you're sipping apple cider or enjoying a pumpkin latte.

Debbie

PROGRAM

KATHY ROWINSKI-216-663-9852 / DEBRA SARNOWSKI-216-849-6291

Hello ladies and welcome back. We are looking forward to seeing everyone and hearing what a wonderful summer you had. **A BIG THANK YOU to all the ladies and gentlemen** who graciously helped make the Installation Dinner a very nice event for all that joined us. Being served by the men of The Holy Name Society made us feel special, the Guild appreciates all the members and their hard work. Debra Sarnowski is arranging for someone from the Garfield Police Department (Police Chief Kaye or a representative), to stop by and update us on our Police Department's drone and First Responder Program. Hopefully we will learn more about automatic launch, quick dispatch and how the drone flies to the location by itself. Not only does it track fleeing suspects and stolen cars, but the fire department uses the live video to plan how to fight fires safely. We might even learn about the Grappler Police Bumper and tactical vehicle intervention methods; plus, other ways our Police Department makes our community safer. Our backup program will be "Chair Yoga" and sharing with you a 28-day program that guarantees to help you lose weight, if one follows through. September marks the season shift into autumn and harvest time, and is associated with back-to-school so being festive ladies let's wear fall colors - red, orange, yellow, brown, green or burgundy. Please join us in the St. Benedict School cafeteria on **Thursday, September 17th, at 6:30 p.m.**

All are welcome!

MEMBERSHIP

MARGIE GASPARIK – 216-389-2581

Membership fees (\$5.00) are now due. Turn your dues in to me at the meeting or you can drop your membership envelope in the Church collection basket, or at the parish office.

PETERSON'S NUT SALE

SUE MEDVETZ – 216-924-3804



Once again, the Peterson's Nut Sale will kick off the Ladies Guild fundraising efforts for the 26-27 year. Brochure/Order forms will be available at the September 17th meeting, or the parish office, and in the church at the Rockside Rd entrance and Gathering area. These make great holiday gifts for anyone on your list as well as a great treat for the family. **Orders and payment must be turned in at the Guild meeting on October 15th, or the parish office. All checks should be made payable to St. Monica Guild. Delivery will be in November before the Thanksgiving holiday. Order pickup will be at the Rockside Road entrance of the Church, (same as last year).** All proceeds benefit our Church. Let's try to increase our sales from last year - if we each get 1 additional sale, or if you were unable to participate last year, maybe this year you could purchase one item! If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you in advance for your participation in this very important fundraiser of the Guild!

SUNSHINE

BARB OKUROWSKI – 216-406-3731

Get Well/Thinking of You greetings were sent to Mandy Corsi as she was hospitalized during the summer after suffering a mild stroke. **Sympathies** were sent to the family of deceased member, Dolores Elias. Please continue to let me know if any members or their families are in need of a little sunshine so we can let them know they are in our thoughts and prayers.

ROSARY CHAIN

CHRISTINE PAYNTER - 216-475-4205

Over the summer, sadly we lost 2 long time Guild members. **Marian A. Suhoza passed away on July 12, 2026.** She was married to the late Ernest Suhoza. Marian was a mother of 4, grandmother, and great grandmother. **The Guild Memorial Mass for Marian is Tuesday, January 5, 2027, at 8:00 A.M.** Also, we lost **Dolores Ann Elias on July 16, 2026.** She was married to the late Charles Elias. Dolores was a mother of 5, grandmother and great grandmother. **The Guild Memorial Mass for Dolores will be Friday, October 16, 2026 at 8:00 A.M.** Please keep these members and their families in your prayers.

TRAVELING MADONNA

ROSEMARY WELICH- 216-410-5003

Our Traveling Madonna visited with **Linda Bronecki in the month of August**, and will continue her travels to the home of Linda Skladany for the month of September. **If any member would like to schedule a monthly visit, please give Rose a call.**

JENNINGS SOCIAL

JANE DAHLHAUSEN-330-690-0531

September has arrived and our friends at Jennings Home in Garfield Heights are excited for our visit with them. **We will meet there on Wednesday, September 16, from 2 to 3 pm.** We spend an hour of fun and games with the residents helping them with their bingo cards. The staff appreciates us too. Please consider coming. I guarantee that you will enjoy yourselves and make the bingo players very happy.

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Karen Basha	Sep 6 th	Carolyn Angello	Sep 18 th	Kathie Petrulis	Sep 20 th
Carol DeLoose	Sep 23 rd	Linda Skladany	Sep 23 rd	Elaine Craider	Sep 29 th

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