

# St. Raphael Guild

## Membership: May 2019 – May 2020

The Guild is a unique and vibrant group comprised of women of the parish of all ages. We organize spiritual, social, and service activities to support our parish and local community. Join us and meet new people, develop friendships that will last for years to come, and enjoy a variety of fun and interesting events. There is truly something for everyone!

All women of the parish are encouraged to support the Guild by becoming a member. Your \$10 membership dues enable the Guild to effectively continue and expand current activities and programs. Please complete the form below and return it along with your dues check made payable to St. Raphael Guild. You can drop it in the collection at mass, take it to the administration building, or mail it to:

**Laura Gallagher      1147 Clubside Drive, #7      Westlake, Ohio 44145**  
**Questions? Feel free to call Laura Gallagher at 216-386-9888**

Name:	Phone:
Address:	City / Zip:
Member:    New / Current (circle one)	
Email:	

Please check where you would like to participate in planning or volunteering to help. The committee chair will contact you with additional information.

### Community Service

Rae-Ann Nursing Home (Westlake)  
Afternoon Bingo Volunteer  
3rd Wednesday 2-3 pm

Bake / Cook for a Parish Event

### Coat Drive for Westside Catholic Center

Work an after Mass shift

Deliver donations to WSCC

### Ways and Means

Donut Sale Volunteer

Poinsettia Sale Volunteer

Anointing of the Sick Volunteer

### Spiritual Planning Committee

Advent Evening of Reflection

### Social Events

Annual Fall Luncheon

Chinese Raffle / Auction Committee

Spring Event

Girls Night Out Event

### Special Interest Groups

Gourmet Lunch Group  
(meets 4 times a year)

Book Discussion Group

**Feel free to make suggestions for activities, speakers and events below.**

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### **Please Note**

***The guild operates on the academic year of September through May. You will be contacted by the coordinator of the event that you select. This contact may not be made until near the time of the event.***

### **Book Club**

Open to all women of the Guild. Feel free to come when you can. Members meet once monthly on a Thursday evening in the school library to discuss book selections. Books are chosen based on the suggestions of the members and all ideas are welcome!

### **Bingo**

One Wednesday each month, we visit Rae-Ann nursing home in Westlake to play bingo with the residents. We bring our own prizes and provide assistance to those who need help to play the game or just share the experience!

### **Guild Gourmet**

Four times yearly this group meets for an afternoon of fun-filled lunches and recipe sharing. Each member participates as part of the "cooking team" for one lunch and a guest for the rest!

### **Annual Fall Luncheon**

Women enjoy a lovely afternoon of shopping with local vendors, a Chinese raffle and silent auction, all to raise money for the Guild programs. The attendees' generosity helps to fund two \$1000 scholarships to parish youth attending Catholic high schools as well as contributions supporting the life of the parish. In past years we have funded the Holy Family statue in the church, the indoor signage, benches outside the church, and the Zwilling Room renovations among many other projects.

### **Halloween Costume / Winter Coat Collection**

Usable costumes, coats, gloves, scarves, and hats are collected and donated to the Westside Catholic Center to help our brothers and sisters in need to stay warm during cold winter months.

### **Poinsettia Sale**

Beautiful red, white and pink poinsettias as well as wreaths and bows are sold at the Guild annual poinsettia sale, kicking off the holiday season. Proceeds go towards supporting Guild activities.

### **Scholarship**

Through our annual essay contest, the Guild awards scholarships to deserving parish youth entering a Catholic high school who embrace the mission of the Guild to "pass on God's love in everything we do."

**The Guild truly does have something for everyone. It is a group that spans generations and members can be as involved as they wish. Please give serious consideration to becoming a member. Attend some of our events and see what we are all about. We would love to see you!**