

St. Raphael Guild

Membership Form

2020-2021

The Guild is a group of women of all ages from St. Raphael Parish. We organize spiritual, social, and service activities to support our parish and community.

Some of our long-standing programs will continue in a modified way; others are tentatively scheduled or may be cancelled. We will follow the guidelines from the parish when planning and conducting programming. This year our focus is on providing opportunities for Guild members to volunteer in a variety of ways in lieu of our more traditional social events.

Membership dues are \$10/year; **dues are optional this year**. If you are interested, we encourage you to complete and return this form so we can include you in future communication! **Please contact Laura Gallagher at 216-386-9888 with any questions.**

Completed forms and **optional dues** would be appreciated by November 30th (checks made payable to St. Raphael Guild) and may be placed in the collection basket at Mass or mailed to:

Laura Gallagher
St. Raphael Guild
525 Dover Center Road
Bay Village, OH 44140

Please Print

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Email: _____ Member: _____ New _____ Current

Please indicate committees and events that interest you. Descriptions and additional information are on the back. The committee chair will contact you with additional information.

Spiritual Planning

Poinsettia Sale

Nursing Home

_____ Assist as needed

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_____ Christmas gift for resident

Community Service

Special Interest Groups

Coat/Halloween costume collection for WSCC

Cooking and/or baking

_____ Book Club

_____ Bag/organize coats

_____ Parish event

Family Ice Skating Party** (Feb.)

_____ Deliver to WSCC

_____ Malachi Center's children's program

_____ Set up/clean up

_____ Hang/organize coats at WSCC

_____ Meal for Moriah House

_____ Provide snacks

_____ Other

_____ Other

Spring Charity Luncheon**(Apr.)

Deliveries for WSCC

Home Projects

_____ Donate baskets/items for auction

_____ Sanson for produce (Downtown)

_____ Wednesdays

_____ Cutting stencils

_____ Set up/clean up

_____ Elmwood Bakery (Lakewood)

_____ Craft preparation/other

_____ Other

_____ Thursdays

Traditional Events (postponed and/or cancelled)

_____ Anointing of Sick

_____ Donut Sale

_____ Girls' Night Out

_____ Nursing Home Bingo

_____ Fall or Spring Soup Luncheon

_____ Gourmet Lunch Group

_____ Cookie Extravaganza

**Event/activity is currently postponed.

Event Descriptions

Book Club

Open to all women of the Guild. Members can come when they are available. Book Club meets once/month on a Thursday evening in the school library to discuss book selections. Books are chosen based on suggestions and interests of the members. Meetings may be outdoors, weather permitting, or even virtual.

Coat/Halloween Costume Collection

Usable costumes, coats, and gloves are collected and donated to the Westside Catholic Center to help our brothers and sisters in need 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 to kick off the holiday season! Proceeds go towards supporting Guild activities. This year we encourage the purchase of plants to be donated to a local nursing home. Uncle John's Nursery delivers.

Advent Evening of Reflection

Traditionally we have had a Mass, dinner and speaker at this event to begin the Advent Season. This year there will not be a dinner. We are hopeful to live stream the evening.

Scholarship

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

Spring Charity Luncheon

During a lovely annual luncheon, women raise funds for Guild programs, specifically the Scholarship fund. Attendees' generosity in the past helped the Guild award two \$1,000 scholarships to local Catholic high school students, the Holy Family statue in the church, indoor signage, benches outside the church, the Zwilling Room renovations, and many other projects at St. Raphael.

Please note:

The Guild operates during the academic year. You will be contacted by the committee chair of the event near the time of the event if you indicated interest.

The Guild truly has 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. You are welcome to attend some of our events and see what we are all about! We would love to have you join us!