# St. Paul VI Women's Society News November 2023



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Travel, eat potluck, and get a directory!

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, our monthly gathering will feature a vicarious visit to Rome, the Vatican, and Turkey as Nicki Mendez shares highlights and a visual presentation on her recent trip! You will also receive a copy of our first Women's Society directory! As we all decided last month, we will have potluck refreshments this time. Those of you whose last names begin with A-M, please bring something sweet, and those of you from N-Z, something savory. Our gathering in the Marian Room at Mater Christi Church will begin at 7:00 with business, followed by

Church will begin at 7:00 with business, followed by Nicki's presentation, and then split-the-pot and Glad You Came drawings. We also invite you to join us in church at 6:30 for the rosary. See you soon!

Five foursomes enjoyed a lively afternoon of Halloween Bunco on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 14, in the Marian Room, along with appetizers and desserts shared by attendees. Rosemary Kufta organized the event, which she said raised about \$320 from the modest entry fee and raffles of five baskets she assembled. Prizes were awarded to Arlene Batek. Most Losses; Coletta Behrendt, Most Spirit; Maryann Lukis, Most Buncos; and Nancy Sima, Most Wins.

#### Fundraiser scores bunco!









#### Supporting our youth

In October, our Society voted to support our parish's Appalachian Service Project with a \$100 donation. Volunteers for the 2024 project will be students entering grades 8 to 12. It is part of our focus on the youth of our parish.



#### Calendar

Nov. 8: Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
Nov. 12: Society Mass, SM, 10am
Nov. 25: Chicks, Coffee & Conversation, MC, 10 am
Dec. 2: Women's Society Day of Reflection, SM, 11:30am
Dec. 13: Monthly gathering, MC, 7pm
Dec. 17: Society Mass, MC, 11am

#### In Memoriam

May they rest in peace.

Bishop Kevin Birmingham Therese Dolmant JoAnne Kosey Mary Lofton Wilma Pecka Elizabeth Polhemus Frances Serpe

# November



Sue Jones Marie Lorr Gloria Pennacchio Sharmayne Stach Anne Watylyk Pat Zdarsky

## Behrendts celebrate 40th

Coletta and Cary Behrendt marked their 40th anniversary with Mass at Mater Christi, where they were married Oct. 8, 1983. They attended

MC grade school, their mothers had Bible study together, and they became friends while MC Youth Club volunteers. Their first date was dinner and dancing at The Flame on Sweetest Day. The Behrendts have two children, Danny and Elizabeth, three grandsons, a granddaughter, and a grandson on the way. Many blessings, Coletta and Cary!



#### October: a charcuterie craft



refreshments!

Those who came to our Oct. 4 gathering left with an attractive and useful charcuterie board, compliments of Theresa Mendez's crafting class.

Thank you also to hostesses Kathy Drenth, Lauri Bukowski, and Laurene McHatton for the wonderful fall



## ACCW: the mother ship

At our Oct. 4 gathering, Carol Davidson encouraged everyone to come to the ACCW Fall Assembly Breakfast, Oct. 7 at The Carlisle in Lombard. She said, "ACCW is the mother ship of women's societies. They do good. We're all in this together." At the event, our copresidents Nicki Mendez and Theresa



Mendez were recognized with the other Women of the Year and presidents. It was noted that Pope Francis for the first time appointed women to be among the voting members at the Bishop's Synod in October.