

Immaculate Heart of Mary Ladies' Sodality  
"To Work with Love for Jesus through Mary"



October, 2021

Hello friends!

Lately I've spent some time at Visions of Peace Hermitages in Pevely. It's a small retreat facility, a great place to recharge or even enhance our spirituality. On my last visit I had the privilege of meeting Archbishop Rozanski. We spoke for several minutes and then I went back to my hermitage where I couldn't help but reflect on our brief encounter. You see, the night before I gave much thought and prayer as to what I might be seeking during this time, and what I realized is that I was looking for a sense of peace and direction within my own spiritual journey. So as I was thinking about meeting the Archbishop, I realized that I didn't remember the conversation that we shared. All I remembered was looking into his eyes and having this feeling of peace come over me, along with recognizing a kindness that really touched my soul. Of course, it took me a few days to realize that my prayer had been answered! I feel so blessed to be a Christian and to know that God is listening...all the time!

October is breast cancer awareness month, let us remember - hope for the fighters, faith for the survivors and prayers for the taken.

Sincerely,  
Brenda Bucher

"Jesus sends His disciples out to spread the good news. That message is not just for those who followed Jesus during His time here on earth. It is for all of us."- Archbishop Rozanski

**We will be back in Fr. Keaney Center (the hall/gym) for our next general meeting on Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!**

Each year, Americans observe **National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15**, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central and South America. Our "comida" (food) for the evening will include items from many of these countries, but nothing "picante" (hot)! So come prepared to enjoy the fiesta!

The **Day of the Dead** (*Día de los Muertos*) is a Mexican holiday celebrated in Mexico and elsewhere and associated with the Catholic celebrations of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. The holiday involves family and friends gathering to pray for and to remember those loved ones who have died. It is commonly portrayed as a day of celebration rather than mourning. We are asking all those ladies who would like to bring a photo of a loved one they would like to remember to be placed on our special "ofrenda" (altar) for the evening.

**VIVA LAS MUJERES DE IHM!**

Jan, Sadat, Elizabeth and Debbie  
Guest Hostesses

A Mount Grace card was sent to Jo Gaal. A sympathy card was sent to Audrey Erbs on the death of her brother. A thank-you card was received from Tina Saputo. Please keep your Sodalists in your thoughts and prayers.  
Therese DeMoor, Welfare

We would like to wish Sodalist, Audrey Smith, a very happy 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. May you enjoy and celebrate this wonderful day!

**Our Christmas party is back!!! WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8.**

MENU: Chicken marsala, rosemary roasted pork loin, cavatelli con broccoli, green beans almondine, Italian house salad, freshly baked dinner rolls and butter, coffee or tea. Desserts, wine and soda will be provided.

ENTERTAINMENT will be a mini Quarter Auction.

TICKETS cost **\$16.00** per person and will be sold at the October and November general meetings; or you can send a check to Carol Iliff, 5424 Oak Tree Drive, Arnold, MO 63010. Come join us!

Carol Iliff and Sue Caruso,  
Christmas Party Chairpersons

Ladies Sodality is going to partner up with Carondelet Community Betterment Federation once again this Christmas season. This year they're requesting sheets, blankets, and comforters. We will have the sizes, and colors requested by the clients. They're also requesting, hygiene supplies, and cleaning supplies. More information will be in the church bulletin in the coming months. As always, thank you for your support!

Lina Silistria & Carol Sandrowski  
Giving Tree Chairpersons

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Dolores Taylor, Corresponding Sec'y.

**Brenda Bucher**  
President

**Fr. Aaron Nord**  
Pastor

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**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**October 13, 2021**      **General Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Fr. Keaney Center**  
**October 25, 2021**      **Board Meeting, 7:00 p.m., RMR**  
**November 28, 2021**      **Advent by Candlelight, 7:00 p.m.**  
**December 8, 2021**      **Sodality Christmas Party**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**Next TRIVIA NIGHT will be March 12, 2022**  
**Next QUARTER AUCTION will be held on June 3, 2022**