

St. Paul on the Lake Altar Society



Membership Information 2016-2017



BOARD MEMBERS & OFFICERS

President: Susan Davies
Past President: Catherine McCuish
1st Vice President: Roseanne Jamieson
Treasurer: Michelle Kozak
Recording Secretary: Nancy Cottrell
Corresponding Secretary: Deborah Wolney
Chair, Communications: Christina Olofsson
Chair, Hospitality: Cindy Ross
Chair, Membership: Sheila Crandall
Chair, Programs: Madeleine Phillips
Chair, Technology: Susan Bristol

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

All parishioners are welcome to join the Altar Society. Members receive invitations to all programs and events and are welcome to volunteer for a ministry or program committee.

Membership dues help cover program and ministry expenses. Since dues range from 10% to 20% of revenue, donations are appreciated to make up the shortfall. The majority of expenses are for the Altar including flowers and linens as well as clergy liturgical vestments. In addition, our funds provide prayer shawls, layette items and baptismal garments to parishioners and members in our community.

St. Paul on the Lake Parish Office
157 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

MEMBERSHIP DUES 2016-2017

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

Annual Dues: \$20.

Life Membership: \$125

Donations:

Enclosed is a donation of \$_____ to support the
Altar Society Ministries and Programs

Please make checks payable to:
St. Paul on the Lake Altar Society and send to:
Sheila Crandall, Altar Society Membership
St. Paul on the Lake Parish Office
157 Lake Shore Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236

If you have questions, please contact
Sheila Crandall, Chair of Membership at 313.885.3780 or email she1977@aol.com
or Susan Davies, President at 313-885-6080.

MISSION

St. Paul on the Lake Altar Society was established in 1881 to encourage and strengthen the faith of the women of the parish. Since that time, membership has grown to approximately 400 men and women members. The Altar Society helps to promote St. Paul on the Lake Church as a prominent spiritual and classic place of worship. We sponsor programs during the year that encourage members to grow spiritually and foster relationships among members.

The primary objectives of the Altar Society as provided in its Constitution and by-laws are to:

- ◆ Provide care and maintenance of the Altar, sanctuary and devotional areas
- ◆ Increase devotion to the Blessed Mother and her divine Son
- ◆ Attain greater spiritual growth
- ◆ Understand our role in living according to the Gospel

Altar furnishings are provided through the generosity of members. These include linens, vessels and vestments. Fresh flowers are purchased and maintained daily by a team of members. Dues and donations from parishioners fund our programs and ministries.

MINISTRIES

- ◆ Altar Linens, Vestments, Vessels & Liturgical Supplies
 - ❑ Chair, Michelle Kozak
- ◆ Altar Flowers & Plants maintained by members
 - ❑ Co-chairs, Martha Barrette & Karen Kolp
- ◆ Layette items for Pregnancy Aid provided by the Knitting, Sewing & Quilting Committee
 - ❑ Chair, Barbara Stillings
- ◆ Prayer Shawls for parishioners and friends in need
 - ❑ Chair, Marion Peleman
- ◆ Baptismal Garments provided to parishioners at baptismal service
 - ❑ Chair, Kathryn Smith
- ◆ Parish Prayer Intentions Committee pray for intentions placed in the box located in the gathering space of the Church
 - ❑ Chair, Judi Marsh
- ◆ Liaison for Altar Society Funeral Masses attends funeral Mass of Altar Society members and arranges for Mass of Remembrance
 - ❑ Chair, Helena Thurber

PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- ◆ Thursday, September 15, 2016
Mass and Membership Meeting
8:15 a.m. Mass to install Altar Society Officers, Board Members, and Ministry Chairs, followed by unveiling of Altar Society gift of stained glass window to parish.
9:15 a.m. **Membership Reception and Meeting** at Grosse Pointe Academy Parlor. Brief reports and presentation by glass artist Ann Baxter describing the creation process
- ◆ Saturday, October 15, 2016
Wedding Anniversary Mass
4:30 p.m. Mass and Blessing for couples celebrating 25+ years of marriage (and every 5 years thereafter). Private reception follows at Rectory
- ◆ Tuesday, December 6, 2016
Advent Program at 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 7, 2016
Advent Program at 9:00 a.m.
Fr. Joseph Kirkconnell will speak on "Mary: our Model of Holiness during the Mad Rush"
- ◆ January 10-12, 2017
Manresa Retreat Participation
- ◆ February/March, 2017
Lent Program Fr. Tom Slowinski will be the speaker
DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED
- ◆ March 2017 **Homeless Dinner** sponsored by Altar Society
- ◆ May 2017 **Altar Society Tea & Annual Meeting**