



Senior Fellowship News & Views

Fall 2026

Message from the President

Hello! I hope everyone is enjoying these last weeks of summer and looking forward to the arrival of autumn.

September will be an especially exciting month for St. Irenaeus Senior Fellowship as we celebrate **20 years of fun, friendship and Christian fellowship!**

On **Thursday, September 17**, we will gather for a special anniversary dinner featuring a delicious meal and entertainment by the OPC Players, who will lead us in a **Beatles Medley Sing-Along**. Each senior attending will also receive a commemorative booklet celebrating this special milestone, along with a souvenir gift.



We hope you will join us as we celebrate the wonderful friendships and memories we have shared over the past 20 years. The cost is **\$10 per person**.

Then, on **Tuesday, September 22, at 11:30 a.m.**, the Lunch Bunch will visit **Too-Ra-Loo** in downtown Rochester, where comfort food meets Italian flair in a casual and friendly atmosphere. Call Kat at 248-651-9195 X880 for reservations with your name, number attending and phone number. We had a wonderful time there last year, and the food was delicious!

On Wednesday, October 14th, we will gather for a **Spooktacular Cards and Games Luncheon** at 11:30 am in the Church Activity Center.

Come ready to play either euchre or Sequence — a game that is always lots of fun! More information about this luncheon will follow.



We are also hoping to form a **Field Trip Committee** to help organize some of our upcoming adventures. Several people have expressed interest in touring the Amazon warehouse facility in Pontiac. We are also looking ahead to a tour of the newly renovated St. Anne's Cathedral in downtown Detroit in late 2027, as well as a visit to the newly expanded Motown Museum in early 2027.

"We Need Your Help!"

If you are interested in helping with the Field Trip Committee, please let me know. We would love to have your ideas and help as we plan some enjoyable outings for our Senior Fellowship!

As always I am hoping that everyone stays healthy and safe.

God Bless, Adelia (Dee) Macker,
President

MISSION STATEMENT

PROMOTE FELLOWSHIP AND SPIRITUALITY AMONG PARISHIONERS
55 YEARS AND OVER THROUGH SOCIAL ACTIVITIES, OUTREACH
PROJECTS AND A SHARING OF COMMON INTERESTS.



Kat's Korner



October 27

**Crepe House
45817 Mound Rd.
Shelby Twp.**

November 24

**Sagebrush Cantina
25 S Broadway St.
Lake Orion**

December

Christmas Break



*The Lunch Bunch
feasted together
at Auburn Hills'
newest
restaurant,
HopCat, on
August 25.*



*Our fellowship enjoyed a field trip to Michigan Central
Station on July 23, followed by lunch at the Red Ox.*

Mass, Mugs and More!



Senior Fellowship hosted another successful Tailgate following the Healing Mass on August 5. Members and parishioners attending the Mass enjoyed bagels, pastries, yogurt, coffee, and juice.



Reminders

October

Medicare Enrollment begins Oct 15

Watch for your Medicare Annual Notice of Change (ANOC) in the mail before October 15 so you can review plan updates.

Get Free, unbiased local guidance from MMAP (Michigan Medicare Assistance Program) 1-800-803-7174. Visit online at mmapinc.org

Get Flu, Covid-19 and RSV vaccines if recommended by your physician

Furnace checkup

Change ceiling fan directions

November

Daylight Savings time ends November 1

Turn clocks back one hour

Change smoke detector batteries

Complete final outdoor tasks such as digging up tender bulbs, wrapping delicate shrubs

Clean the gutters

December

Medicare deadline is December 7

RMD deadline is December 31

Tek Tips

From Marilyn Pearson

Create a Call Failure

Sometimes you need a call to end without coming across as rude. If you open Control Center when you're talking to someone and tap Airplane mode, the call immediately terminates. The other person sees "call failed" on their screen instead of "call ended".

Bad news for Android backups

Google is warning *Android* users that online device backups will soon count against their Google storage limit. That means messages, call history, and app data will dip into the same storage bucket used by Gmail, Google Photos, and Google Drive. To control what Google backs up from your Android phone, head to Settings > Google > Backup.

Four steps before you get rid of a car

Nine out of 10 dealers promise they'll wipe customer data from trade-ins. *But studies show 8 out of 10 used cars on lots have prior users' home addresses, garage codes, contacts and text messages stored.*



1. Open your car's infotainment, usually found under Settings > Privacy or Connected Services > Delete All Personal Information.

2. Factory reset the system.

3. Disconnect the car from the manufacturer's app (FordPass, myChevrolet, MyHyundai or other). **Resetting the dashboard doesn't break that tether.**

4. Unpair your phone from Bluetooth.

G-Mail now has purchases tab

Instead of making you dig through your inbox, all your order-related emails (like Amazon confirmations and shipping estimates) will now show up in one spot.

On mobile and web, you'll find it in the left panel. And yes, the package tracker for deliveries arriving within 24 hours still appears at the top of your inbox.

Cell service acting up?

Switch on **Airplane mode**, wait a few seconds and turn it **off**. Your phone will reconnect to the nearest tower.

Trade in your old tech

Amazon takes your old phones, tablets, smart speakers and more. Tell them what you're trading in and its condition, and they'll offer a gift card based on its value.

Bonus: If you trade in Amazon gear like an Echo, you'll also get 20% off a new qualifying device.

Set default apps on iPad

Want Gmail instead of Mail? Or Chrome instead of Safari? Go to **Settings** > **Default Apps** You'll see categories like Email, Messaging and Browser. Tap one to switch.

Light it up



Your iPhone's flashlight has more brightness levels than the default sun mode. Hold down the flashlight button and drag the slider up or down. You can also say, "*Siri, turn on the flashlight*" when you need it (and tell her to turn it off, too).

DID YOU KNOW?

You Can Make Changes to your Medicare Plan

During Open Enrollment from October 15 thru December, you can:

- Switch to a different Medicare Advantage Plan
- Drop your Medicare Advantage Plan and go back to Original Medicare (Parts A and B)
- Enroll in a standalone Medicare Prescription Drug Plan (Part D), if you go back to Original Medicare

Use the "Plan Finder" tool at [medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) to find health plans or you can plug in your current medications and compare total costs, or by calling 1-800-803-7174.

Compare Medicare Part D Plans Annually

Medicare Part D plans (***Separate Prescription Drug Plan if on regular Medicare***) change **annually**. Everything — from the medications it covers to how much it costs to stay on the plan — is subject to change.



The plan that was most cost-effective for you this year may no longer be the best choice. Use the annual enrollment period (Oct. 15 through Dec. 17) to compare plans based on your specific medications. Medicare's Plan Finder tool at [Medicare.gov](https://www.Medicare.gov) allows you to enter all your prescriptions to learn which plan offers the lowest total cost.

Be Aware

Medicare does not cold call you and ask you for personal or private information.

You will usually get a written statement in the mail before you get a phone call from a government agency.

Calls requesting health insurance information should not be trusted.

MyChart Warning

Health systems around the country are warning patients about fraudulent messages that borrow the MyChart name to sell a fake "Medicare Kit" or "senior health package." The messages look like they came from your hospital, but they didn't and clicking them can put your MyChart account and personal information at risk.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



October

Kat Wosina
Connie Macker
Mike McDermott
Dan Mortier
Betsy Kamp
Don Borus
Janet Cullen
Mary Ann Kapusnak
Barbara Bates
Rosemary Caccamo
Dave Guffey
Karen Luscomb
Frank Glasgow
Gerri Hintz

November

Phyllis Kazmierski
Lorraine Mich
Jack Allen
Margaret Melnik
Marilyn Pearson
Joseph Caleel
Carol Cole
Barb Mortier
Rose Govig
Dale Proulx
Tom Neveau
Julia Lanoue
Elinor Satawa
Fr. Gerry LeBeouf
Mary Pat Soisson
Sonny Jacobs

December

Pam Feldstein
Bernadette Pruchnic
Bob Mack
Angie Palazzolo
David Andrek
Marti McDermott
Dolores Kuczajda
Tom Meyer
Carmen Bonanni
Lorraine Harding