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MAY ----- IMITATING THE VIRTUES OF OUR LADY

Springtime hello's to everyone and Happy Mother's Day to all the mother's and grandmother's! John Lichoff led us in prayer with thirty members and guests attending the luncheon meeting.

Civil War reenactor and Tomb Walker at Arlington National Cemetery, Jim Heyman's presentation on April 21st was a huge success with thirty members and guests attending. Thank you, John Lichoff, for arranging this program. Lunch was at Jim's Pizza Box in Milan.

DID YOU KNOW???. . . . Many gardener's have a "Mary Garden" in honor of the Blessed Virgin. All blue and white flowers are associated with Mary as her colors. The cornflower is called "Mary's Crown" and the forget-me-not, her eyes. The rose of sharon, the lily - of -the -valley, and some other genera and species bear titles attributed to Mary in Sacred Scriptures. Many herbs such as the rosemary and Mary's gold are associated with Mary because of legends. As you notice the May spring flowers around you, think of Our Blessed Lady and how beautiful they are just as she is.

Wednesday, May 19th, we will be car-pooling from McGuan Park at 10:00 A.M. for our day at Marywood Shrine in Bellevue. Reconciliation is available at 10:30 for those who wish with Mass following at 11:00. Lunch at 11:45 is a brown bag bring-your-own. Then at 12:45 there will be a choice of either the rosary outdoors or Mary's Way of the Cross in church. A spiritual talk will follow at 1:30 with Benediction and the blessing of religious articles and the blessing with a relic of the true cross. This is our spiritual day of the year since we no longer have our day at the Prayer Center. Come join us and bring a friend for a beautiful spiritual day together with Jesus and Mary.

We have forty tickets on reserve for the Huron Playhouse musical, "The Melody Lingers On: the Songs of Irving Berlin". This production follows renown composer Irving Berlin's life, from poverty as a Jewish immigrant on the Lower East Side of Manhattan to his world-wide fame as one of America's most prolific songwriters. His songs include "White Christmas" and "God Bless America". We will be attending the Wednesday, June 30th, performance at the cost of \$13.00 per person.

NOTE: Reservations and money must be to Marge Kromer no later than Wednesday, June 23rd. You may bring your money/check with you at the June 2nd meeting if you wish. Do not wait until the last minute on this one ---- tickets go fast as this is one of our best outings. Come and enjoy a night of music and good fellowship.

Our next luncheon-meeting will be Wednesday, June 2nd, at 11:30 A.M. at Sugar Creek Restaurant. Come and join in the fun.

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PRAYER FOR THE SPRINGTIME

Creator God, thank You for the gift of nature and the world of plants and animals that emerge anew each spring. In the goodness of the natural world, we see Your creative touch and Your desire for abundant life. Help us to savor these days of growth and to look in our hearts for that same creative touch within.

Amen.

