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Young Ladies Institute #101 Antioch

Serving Parishioners of St. Ignatius
of Antioch and Most Holy Rosary



What is the YLI?

The Christian principles of charity and love define the Young Ladies Institute (YLI).

The emblem and sign of the Order is the cross within the laurel leaf, signifying that only in this symbol of man's redemption can we expect the crowning victory of immortality.

On September 5, 1887 in San Francisco, Annie M. Sweeney, her sister Mary E. Richardson and Emily Coogan founded The Young Ladies' Institute to provide material support to a young woman who contracted tuberculosis.

Each meeting reflects the virtues of our founders, the golden links to the Christian virtues faith, hope and charity. The principles of unity, sisterly love and protection are the diamonds that give brilliance to our Order for they embody our love and concern for each other.

YLI now exists in California, Oregon, Washington and Hawaii and has over 6000 members. YLI #101 became an Institute in 1922 – we are almost 100 years old!

Who Is the YLI?

The only condition of YLI membership is that you are a Catholic woman over the age of 14.

Our Institute membership is made up of primarily parishioners from St. Ignatius of Antioch and Most Holy Rosary in Antioch, CA. We have many members that attend other parishes, as well.

New members are initiated with a great deal of fanfare and excitement!



What Does the YLI Do?

The YLI is a sisterhood of Catholic women who are united in their desire to serve our community for the good of God.

We have business meetings on the second Monday of each month, and a social activity or fundraiser on the fourth Monday of each month.

On a quarterly basis, we attend Mass together.

Our Institute also participates in events hosted by other Institutes.



What Does the YLI Do?

The YLI has a lot of fun serving our community. Our annual events include our Pasta Dinner, Bingo Night, Bunco Night, Casino Bus Trip, and so many more! We've done Line Dancing, Holiday Boutiques, Game Nights, Holiday Parties, and Costume Contests, to name a few fun things!



What Does the YLI Do?

Funds raised at our social events help support many programs.
In the past, we've supported:

- The Education of Seminarians
- Scholarships for Catholic High School Students
- Comfort Bags for people experiencing homelessness
- Wildfire relief efforts
- Animal Shelters
- Heart Health, Breast Cancer, & Children's Hospital
- Parish Renovation Projects
- Parishioner Eagle Scout projects
- Adopt-a-Family during Christmas
- Winter Nights with St. Vincent de Paul
- Support for foster children
- SO MUCH MORE!!!!



What is Required of Members?

Be a Catholic woman!

Fill out an application.

Come to as many, or as few, YLI events as you wish, and support us in any way you want or can.

Questions? Contact our Membership Chairperson Jeannine Ford at 925-757-9650 or AntiochYLI101@gmail.com.



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