

ST. MARY'S WOMEN'S CLUB
Wednesday, March 13, 2024

MEETING MINUTES

We had good attendance, approximately 30 members.

Trish welcomed everyone and recognized visitors and birthdays. Welcome to new member, Dorothy Zajechowski!

The delicious St. Patrick's Day desserts were provided by Marie Huyge, Char Lozicki, and Cynthia Caulfield. Thank you very much!

Trish read notes of thanks from Father Bill, Jennifer Grossman, and Mary Reck.

We all thank Mueril Tuggle for opening her lovely home to us last month. The tours and hospitality were greatly appreciated.

OLD BUSINESS

Procedure for insuring Honor Guard available to Women's Club members - Bonnie Glavich reported that she will be notified by the church office then she will ask the club secretary to send out an email to the members. Trish is trying to find some heavy black ribbon that can be used to identify those of us participating in Honor Guard.

Can we help fund the purchase of communion wine? The wine costs approximately \$1,032 per year. After some discussion, Cynthia Caulfield moved that we pay for the wine; Gloria Price seconded the motion; motion carried.

TREASURY REPORT

Lynn listed recent income and expenses and reported that our checkbook balance is \$7,332 and our diocese account balance is approximately \$8,084.

NEW BUSINESS

Deb Taetsch reported that the profit from the 2023 quilt raffle was \$3,623. Due to increased cost of material, she asked the group to approve a ticket price increase of one dollar. Marie Huyge moved that the new quilt raffle ticket price be set at \$3 for 2024; Gloria Draeger seconded the motion; motion carried.

Bonnie Glavich announced that our club outing for April 10th will be a trip to the Hackley Library in Muskegon. Anyone interested in attending must let Bonnie know - either by signing up on the sheets at the meeting or by calling her. We will meet in the church parking lot at 9 a.m. to carpool. The free tour at the library begins at 10 a.m. Also included is a free tour of the Torrent House across the street from the library. Lunch will follow at a TBD restaurant (each pays for their own lunch). Selecting the restaurant is dependent on the size of our group, so getting an accurate count is important.

There was some discussion about making a donation to the Hackley Library. Gloria Price moved that we donate \$100; Susan Cochrane seconded the motion; motion carried.

Plaque for Madonna Chapel - Trish explained that it was Monsignor Kupinski that dedicated our chapel as a "Madonna Chapel." Over the years, this origin has been forgotten. Trish asked the members if we should buy a 5x7" plaque engraved with words that honored Msgr

Kupinski. Father Bill approves of this plaque. The cost is expected to be minimal. Lynn McMaster moved that we purchase the plaque with club funds; Lynn Palarz seconded the motion; motion carried.

Opportunity to help the homeless by supporting a golf outing sponsored by an organization called Homeless Prevention Partners - Although the group recognized the good work this organization does, we will not support the golf outing.

Dave Heinert, Director of Adult Faith Formation, attended our meeting to ask for support of the Pentecost Party that is being planned for RCIA candidates. It will be on May 19th after the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. masses. He is asking that our club provide baked goods – breads, muffins, and bars. The group agreed to help. We will ask volunteers to sign up at our meeting on May 8th.

Gloria Price asked for the group's approval to discontinue sending birthday cards to members. Birthdates are not readily available, and postage and cards are increasing in cost. The suggestion was approved.

Mary Pat Dubuc has been diagnosed with lung cancer, but she is doing well and undergoing treatment. Please keep her in your prayers.

Thank you to those who donated feminine products!

Submitted by
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