

Altar Society Minutes
January 6, 2020

Officers: Julie Lienemann, President; Dolores Bruna, Vice President; Jessica Miller, Treasurer; and Glenda Stohs, Secretary.

Members present: Julie Lienemann, Dolores Bruna, Glenda Stohs, Jessica Miller, Arleta Martin, Jan Turney, Dorothy Kramer, Elaine Scheele, Judy Claeys, Michelle Rombeck, Brenda Staggenborg, Fran Grauer, Norma Mason, Jane Sandstrom, Donna Marples, Anne Bradford, Mary Ellen Wetter and Jean Dummermuth.

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Julie Lienemann at 5:30 pm at the church hall followed by the Hail Mary.

Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's report: The main account opening balance is \$32,838.60 with income of \$1,295.00 and expenses of \$4,878.26. This leaves a closing balance of \$29,355.34. Julie asked that anyone making a purchase over \$25 that can't wait until the next meeting to contact an officer to get the okay. This doesn't include funeral dinners. Jessica said all the car magnets were sold for a profit of \$100. That money was given to Father.

Correspondence: We received Thank You's for Goody Boxes from Marj Cudney, Bob Martin, Virginia Ring, Pat Dwerlkotte, Grace Koelzer, James Voet, and Esther McMahon.

Old Business:

Candy Canes: Candy Canes were given to children after Christmas Masses with a verse attached about what the Candy Canes represent. They seemed to enjoy getting them. Thank you to Brenda for printing and laminating the verse. Also, thanks to the ladies that put them together. They looked nice.

Church Decorations: Many commented that the Christmas decorations in church were beautiful.

Altar Society Activity Sheet: We have had a good response with the blue sheet handed out with a list of Altar Society activities. Numerous people returned them marked with activities they will help with.

Confirmation: The Archbishop Meal at Confirmation went well and so did the reception after Confirmation. Julie suggested next year that they have a decorated cake instead of cookies. It would look nicer.

New Business:

Funeral Dinners: Julie gave a big thank you to Anne Bradford, Jan Turney, and the ladies that have helped with funerals lately during the holidays. They did a good job of handling it. There was discussion as to the suggested donation per meal we are using for funeral dinners. Anne said it is \$2.50 per meal now.

Bazaar: Dolores said they are starting to plan new games for the Bazaar. They passed around a sheet for people to sign on if they want to make a new game.

ACCW: Brenda had checked on the ACCW organization. Our by-laws say that \$.50 a person of dues goes to ACCW and there are other references to ACCW. She had reached out to them and no one responded to her. Father looked at their website and said not to donate to them. Glenda moved that we change our by-laws so that we do not donate \$.50 a person of our dues to ACCW and to remove any references in the by-laws about ACCW. It was seconded and passed. Brenda will update this in our Circle Book.

Soul Event: The Soul Event is coming up in February. Jessica said that last year we had donated a trip for a family to Camp Tekakwitha along with some cash for food and gas. We spent \$200. The family went and enjoyed the trip. There were only a couple options of dates for them to go. Other options were discussed to donate to the event this year. Jan moved we donate \$300 and give it to the committee to decide what would be a good item for the auction. It was seconded and passed.

Installation of Officers: Installation of officers was held for 2020. They are as follows: Dolores Bruna, President; Judy Claeys, Vice-President; Jan Turney, Treasurer; Glenda Stohs, Secretary. We are looking for a President-Elect if anyone could do that. Thank-you gifts were given to outgoing officers Julie and Jessica. They have done a great job.

Meeting Adjourned: The next meeting will be held at 5:30 pm on February 3rd in the church hall. The meeting was adjourned and ended with a Hail Mary. Fran lead the group in a fun activity and Julie provided refreshments.