

The meeting was called to order by President, Rita Niebuhr with opening prayer said by Elaine Ricci.

Roll call by circles was taken with 19 members present representing 8 of 8 circles.

Review of Minutes: February 5, 2024, minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report: In Darlene's absence, the treasurer's report was given by President Rita Niebuhr. The current balance on hand is \$5,885.95. Funeral expenses: \$924.12; Donations: Boys & Girls Club: \$200; Income from funerals: \$2,150.

Maintenance to Mission: Elaine Ricci spoke on the purpose and history of the Maintenance to Mission (M2M) program. M2M is a mission of evangelization that was initiated by Bishop Powers in 2021. Elaine reported where we are currently at as a cluster parish within the diocese, and where we need to be.

In December 2022, cluster parish members were asked to be part of a M2M Core Team. Currently, a handful of cluster parish members make up the core team; however, many more core members are needed.

On March 17th, there will be a M2M Core Team meeting at St. Anthony's at 3:00 PM, all parish cluster members are welcome. Please consider being part of this Core Team. Follow the bulletin for further information and updates.

OLD BUSINESS:

Church Social: St. Margaret's Circle is scheduled for March 17th. It was suggested to have on hand a small pot (12 cup pot) of decaffeinated coffee available for this social.

2024 Social Calendar:

Jan. 21 – St. Theresa

May 19 – St. Bernadette

Sept 15 – Mother Cabrini

Feb. 18 – Madonna

June 16 – St. Rebecca

Oct. 20 – St. Theresa

Mar. 17 – St. Margaret

July 21 – St. Andrea

Nov. 17 – Madonna

April 21 – St. Ann

August - Canceled

December - Canceled

Old Business:

Ladies Luncheon: Will be on Saturday, May 4, 2024. The theme is May baskets. Festivities will begin at 11:30 am. Entertainment was discussed. Rita is asking for the ladies to please plan on getting together with your committee members. Each circle is asked to bring three salads. There will be one kind of dessert served, and Barb Lynch is in charge of reaching out to circles for volunteers to make the dessert. Flower arrangements used for table décor will be used for door prizes.

Diocesan Convention: The Diocesan Convention to be held June 27 – 28, 2024, with St. Anthony's hosting this event. An update was presented by Rita. The theme is "Sewing Abundant Seeds." She will need volunteers for ushers, information desk, and greeters. We will need to find a caterer for the food for Thursday's 5:00 pm banquet and Friday's lunch, however, we will need to obtain attendance numbers prior to finding a caterer. Rita will keep in touch with Bridgette for more updates.

Stations of the Cross: On Fridays during Lent, soup and sandwiches will be provided. Each circle assigned to a week will be asked to provide sandwiches and serve. Rita will bring the soup. There are approximately 15-20 people who stay after the service for lunch and fellowship.

Sandwich schedule: Feb. 16th -- St. Andrea
Feb 23rd -- St. Ann
March 1st -- St. Bernedette

March 8th -- Madonna
March 15th -- St. Margaret
March 22nd -- St. Rebecca

Blue Hills Chorale Concert: On Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 7:00 pm, St. Anthony will be hosting this event. Usher and greeter volunteers were Val, Mary R., Rosemary, and Liz. Kathy Turba is in charge of the free-will offering. Coffee and bars will be provided after the concert. Each cluster parish will be providing two pans of bars. Liz and Katherine volunteered from our parish to make bars. Kathy Epple is working with Sarah Fox on the programs.

New Business:

Fundraising: Rosemary Rydberg presented a possible fundraising opportunity through Savers, Eau Claire. This fundraiser consists of collecting clean, “soft” sellable goods. Items are collected and placed in bags. The bags are weighed, and the amount of money is paid out per pound collected to the parish. Rosemary reports this fundraiser has been done in Boyceville with success. No further action was taken at this time.

Donation: A donation to the Cumberland Post Prom event was suggested. A motion was made and seconded to make a donation of \$200 for this event, motion carried.

Correspondence: Thank-you cards were received by Cumberland Elementary, Cumberland Food Pantry, the Capuzzi Family, and the Mary Zappa Family.

Other: Rosemary reported sending a get-well card to Pat Capra.

Prayer requests were asked for Barb Lombard and Kris Waggoner.

Next CCW Meeting: Note, the next meeting will be on Monday, April 8, 2024, beginning at 4:30 pm, which is the second Monday of the month.

The meeting was adjourned with closing prayer said by Elaine Ricci.

Mary A. Ricci
CCW Secretary