

Vice-President Elaine Ricci opened the meeting in Liz Larson's absence.

Opening prayer was said by Jean Erlewine.

Roll call by circles was taken with 17 members present representing 7 out of 7 circles.

Minutes: Minutes from November 10, 2025, were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$12,607.32. The thirty-dollar Chamber Bucks, approved at the November meeting, for each staff member includes: Deacon Steve L, Deacon Steve W., Deacon Greg, Angela, Kathy, Michele, Fr. Kanna, and Carlsons. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and approved to include Fr. Tom as well.

OLD BUSINESS:

Church Socials after 10:30 Mass

Dec 21st – St Rebecca

Jan 18th – Madonna (see minutes under the Feast of St. Anthony)

Feb 15th – St Andrea

Mar 15th – St Theresa

Apr 19th – St Ann

May 17th – St Margaret

June 21st – St Rebecca

July 19th – Madonna

A list of duties for the social is posted in the kitchen. Each leader should also have a copy. Please remember to have a gluten-free choice and fruit available along with a pot of decaf coffee.

Maintenance to Mission Update: Elaine Ricci reported that we will soon be seeing a chart of intentional ministry posted that shows who is leading that ministry. We will get this out to the people as soon as the clergy has had a chance to approve it.

Mary R. reported that she and Liz are working on a project to welcome new members to our parish. This would include rewriting the welcome letter, doing a "visit" with the new members, taking their picture and placing on the bulletin board for everyone to see who our new members are, a welcome in the bulletin, and introducing the new members at the socials/fellowship and presenting them with a St. Anthony medal. Liz and I, after a time, we will revisit what we are doing to see what works or doesn't work.

Community Outreach: A reminder to members that the collection boxes/totes remain in the area where the coat rack is off the church entry. Rita N. and Jill U. covered last week in Capra's absence. Please contact Rita if interested in covering for Jen and Pat who will be away for a couple of months.

Superior Diocese Women's Retreat: Think about attending this retreat to be held at Trinity Woods on January 31, 2026 – February 1, 2026, or February 7, 2026 – February 8, 2026.

Liz, Val, Bonnie & Kathy E. will be attending the January 31st retreat and Elaine R and her two daughters will be attending the February 7th one. Elaine stated they have room for 4 more people in their suite if interested.

Knives: Rita reported receiving two 7-inch kitchen knives and has donated the cost for those.

Coffee Pot: Rita reported a new coffee pot has been ordered.

Children's Christmas Program: This will be held December 17th at 6:15pm. Beth Ranallo has volunteered to help Barb Lynch for this event. St. Ann's and Sacred Heart CCWs will donate 6 dozen cookies each.

The Feast of St. Anthony the Abbot: This year, the Feast of St. Anthony falls on January 17, 2026. On Sunday, January 18th there will be a meal after 10:30 mass. CCW will sponsor. The meal will be prepared by Dcn Greg and Elaine and will consist of pork roast, cheesy potatoes, corn, coleslaw, buns (Beth Ranallo will provide these) and cookies. Help will come from two Knights (for clean-up), Joan Schullo on Saturday prep, Rita and Chip for Sunday help, and circles to provide cookies. It was suggested that the Madonna Circle, who has the social for the month of January, could help out with this event as well. We will be advertising this as a free will offering and all of the profit will go to our evangelization efforts for the cluster. We will be asking people to RSVP to give us some kind of a head count.

NEW BUSINESS:

Donations Approved:

ClaraVita Medical (formally the Pregnancy Help Center), \$200.

Anna Ranallo – Catholic Conference, \$200.

Benjamin House, \$250.

Methodist Christmas Church Dinner, \$250.

Invoice for Bulletin Advertisement was tabled.

Cumberland Care and Rehab: Typically, we do a program in December. A discussion ensued with members feeling we should do a program again this December. Bonnie M. volunteered to contact CC&R for date and time. Maggie W. volunteered to get a sheet cake with whipped frosting.

Miscellaneous: Marie H. reported St. Andrea's circle made cookies, filling 49 boxes for Project Santa.

Rosemary R., from the Decorating Committee, needs a spotlight if anyone has one they could use, contact Rosemary.

Prayer Requests: Prayers are asked for the Jim Donatelle family and Robert Donatelle, Fr. Tom's mother, Ozzie, and Tom Shervey. Jean E. thanked the group for prayers on her behalf.

Support Ministry: Please call Rosemary Rydberg (715-419-1940) with any requests for Get Well Wishes – Prayers – Support – Sympathy.

The meeting was adjourned and closed with prayer.

NOTE: The next CCW meeting will be held on Monday, January 8, 2026, at 3:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary A. Ricci