

Rosary Society Minutes

January 17, 2023

13 members were present: Stepehny Lemenager, Deb Wallpe, Brooke Wetli, Sally Stacey, Wilma Mills, Judy Hubertz, Marsha Schluttenhofer, Ann Besenbacher, Becky Hobough, Jeanne Brummet, Nina May, Linda Rhoades, Joyce Hoffman

Nina opened the meeting with the Our Father. She reminded us to keep our priests in our prayers. Deb read the message from Bishop Doherty that was inserted in the bulletin. Our two priests serve the biggest pastorate in the diocese.

Jeanne passed out the treasurer's report. The balance is \$12,720.53. Jeanne wondered about a CD. We could get 3% for 17 mo.

We never need all the money at one time. We could switch to a money market, but it was decided a CD makes more sense. It takes \$5,000.00 for this CD. We can always break it if we need the money, we would just lose interest.

Linda made the motion to transfer \$5,000 to a CD. Deb 2nd the motion and the vote was unanimous in favor.

Sally reported on the get well/sunshine committee – She sent thank you cards to Steve Beutler and Pam Cobb, 4 sympathy cards and 1 get well. She would like to get some cards made up with the picture of St Charles and the rosary on the outside, blank on the inside which she could send for all occasions. Nina told her to go to the copy print shop and get some made. Jeanne will send the pic to Sally. Sally has year-end expenses for Jeanne.

Sally has some get well cards to send out. She wondered about doing something for the parishioners who are in assisted living/nursing home, or shut in.

We discussed the Turkey Dinner and if we wanted to continue with it or do a different type of dinner, or a dinner at a different time. We talked about chicken & noodle, or subs – just carry-out. Fall is a difficult time in a farming community. It was also brought up that our dinner has always been in the fall and that is what people expect.

It was asked if we could do a survey with a vote with a place for suggestions. Knights of Columbus have done some winter meals, but weather has caused some cancellations. In the spring we are farming again, and summer is vacation time. Sub sandwiches go well and don't take much to organize and assemble. We could try those in the spring and if they go well do them again in the fall. Wilma made \$800.00 for Haiti and CYO also did well with the subs. It's a good money maker, but not a social event.

At the present time we really don't need money. For now the turkey dinner is on hold.

Years ago we gave money for the updated kitchen in the hall, and we also gave money for the flooring in the rectory. We haven't given money in recent history. Church doors were mentioned, but Deb & Stepheny said something like that could be discussed by the Finance Committee.

Marsha suggested giving to the Life Teen trip or the Mexico mission trip. The Mexico mission trips cost around \$1000.00 for each person who goes. Each person pays for their lodging, food, and materials. The extra funds might entice a young person from the parish to go on the trip. They could write a letter for the scholarship and we could sponsor them.

We could also give the money to John Brost and let him decide what to do with the money. It would be interesting to have John come and speak at one of our meetings so that we could have a better understanding of all the things they do on the trip.

Joyce suggested if we help someone from St Charles, it might encourage other parishes to do something to help others who are on the trip.

Ann had suggested purchasing gifts and wrapping them at the last meeting. She said she would just like to see the money used. It was brought up that we could do something for some of the elderly from our parish who are in the nursing home or assisted living. Sally will try to get a list of people put together and then we could decide what to do. Christmas/Mother's Day/Father's Day or Birthday? Birthday would be great since for the other holidays they may already receive gifts.

Brooke asked if we could decide on a budget and split it in percentages to spend on different things. We could change it each year, and could allow for the CD in the budget.

Brooke mentioned that we should tithe anyway, but we wouldn't have to do 10%. Jeanne asked if we could take \$1500.00 to give away or do good deeds? We could revisit this each year.

Marsha made the motion to take 12% of the YE balance to give away $12720 \times 12\% = \$1526$. Jeanne & Linda 2nd. We can decide the breakdown later. The motion carried.

Sally will gather a list of shut ins and how many people, then we can decide how much to spend per person. We will also give to mission trip & life teen. It's too soon to give money for the Feb trip, but maybe we can for the Nov trip.

Sally made the motion to give \$500 to the Mexico Mission Trip and \$500 for Life Teen and use the rest of the \$1526 for misc outreach. Stepheny 2nd it and the motion carried.

Next on the agenda was to set up a church cleaning schedule. All parishioner's clean in April & December. Jen Douglas & Joyce Hoffman are on for January cleaning.

It was decided to try to get more people involved by putting a sign up sheet in the pews. Deb Wallpe volunteered to do this.

Next each outgoing officer spoke a little bit about their position before election of officers. All of the officers agreed that it was a great experience and that they enjoyed their time as an officer, and made new friendships.

2023-2024 Officer Team

Deb Wallpe/President
Stepheny Lemenager/Vice President
Brooke Wetli/Treasurer
Marsha Schluttenhofer/Secretary

Next we went over committee chairs.

Wilma & Brooke – Decorating

Funeral Dinners – Jeanne Brummet & Deb Kerkove

Get Well/Sunshine – Sally Stacey & Jeanne Brummet

Prayer Chain – Joyce Hoffman & Jeanne Brummet

Publicity – Ann Bessenbacher (website also)

Church Dinner –

Cleaning Committee – Shared by the entire group

The next meeting will be March 14th, 2023 and tentatively 6/13 and 9/12 (those dates are subject to change)

Nina closed the meeting with a prayer.