

# **Women's Ministry Meeting**

## **Dec. 7, 2023**

### **Meal**

Several volunteers brought snacks and desserts. We didn't start until after 6:15 Mass. Sue Dailey had several requests for her recipe for Millionaire Pie. It is below.

### **Program**

Chris Arens shared ideas on how to decorate Christmas cookies with a piping bag. Cindy Famuliner, Elaine Sims, Debbie Steiner, Rita Lampen, Marla Kinsey, and Andrea Kurth all made the cookies and frosting for everyone. Many thanks to all of them.

Everyone had a great time and left with 5 delicious cookies.  
The recipe for the cookies and frosting is on the website.

### **Business Meeting**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Nov 7 Minutes were approved.

#### **Vice President Report**

No report

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Marla suggested we focus on the second page—expense and summary.  
Ending balance is \$16,434.40. Minutes were approved

### **Committees**

#### **Funerals**

No funerals this month.

#### **Social**

Feb meeting - Ruth Hays will do a presentation on the Our Father prayer.  
Cindy and Andrea will meet to make plans for 2024.

#### **Parking lot island**

No report this month.

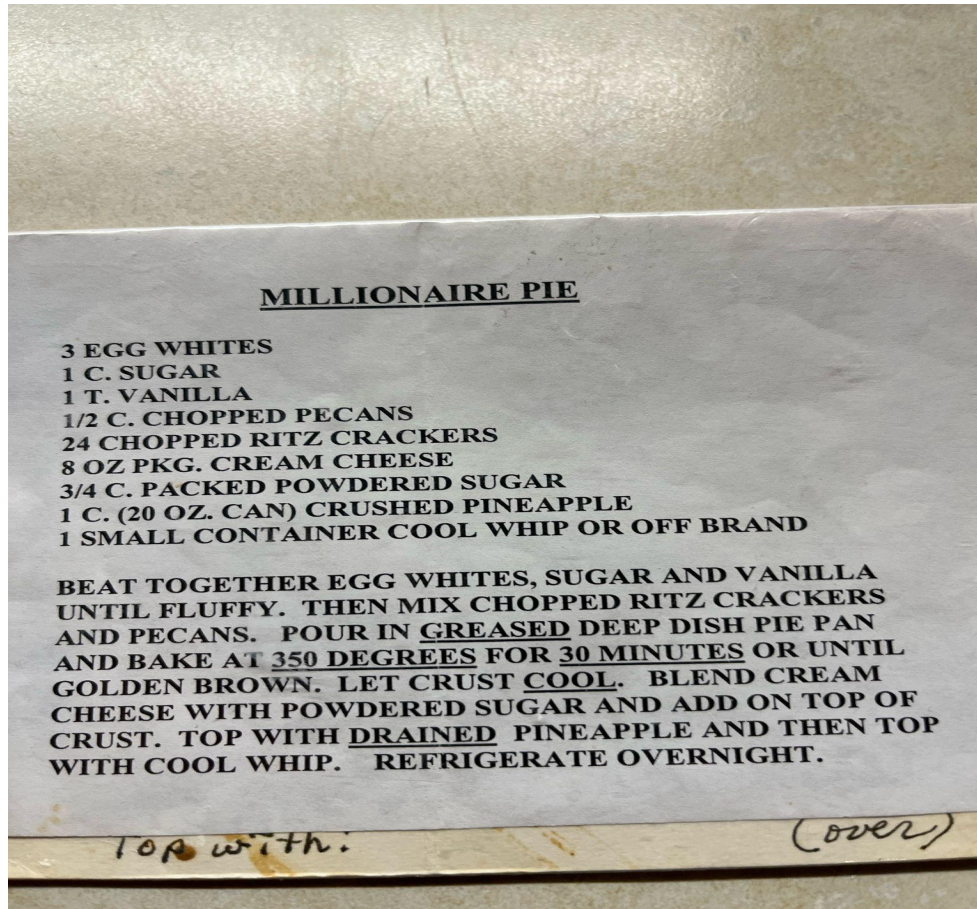
## **New business**

- **Statues** - They are IN already and were on display at the meeting. A big “thank you” was given to Nancy Schneider for arranging the purchase. The Knights of Columbus will provide the pedestal and a bench with a plaque stating in memory of the deceased members of the Women’s Ministry Group.
- **Thank You** - St Michael the ArchAngel High School reported that St. Robert Bellarmine was the most generous parish in supporting their fundraising efforts for the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis.
- **Care Meals/Meal Train** - We hadn’t been asked to provide meals for a family in years, but received a request from Cynthia Peters daughter, on her parent’s behalf. We used an app called Meal Train and everyone has been very generous filling all the spots. The meals have meant so much to Cynthia and Louis. Cindy Famuliner took this initial request but was asking if someone else would like to assume this role. The app makes the job pretty easy. **Volunteer position available.**
- **Give Away** - The environment committee is doing spring cleaning early. There are grapevine wreaths, concrete pillars, and fabric up for grabs. Let us know if you are interested and we will forward your info to Melanie Horrell.
- **Nominating Committee** - We need someone to volunteer to lead the nominating committee to find new candidates for President and Vice President. **Volunteer position available.**
- **Spring Retreat** - we voted to proceed with planning a Spring retreat. Lent starts Feb 14, 2024. We need someone to plan the retreat. **Volunteer position available.**
- **Stations of the Cross** - We will probably be asked again to support one of the stations of the cross by carrying the cross. We will provide more details when they are available.
- **Fish Dinner Desserts** - a healthy discussion occurred when deciding if we should ask people to make desserts or buy them. We purchased desserts last year at a cost of approx. \$200 per dinner and we hosted 3 dinners. Women’s Ministry’s share of the profits was approx.\$3,000, netting us \$2,400. Pro’s to asking for contributions: a) zero cost, b) variety, c) people feel good about contributing. Pro’s to buying: a) no need to worry about whether we will have enough b) less work for the women. We tabled the vote until the February meeting.
- **June Meeting** - we voted to have the meal catered rather than try to eat at a restaurant. Andrea Kurth volunteered to lead this meeting.

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00**

**Future Dates**

Feb. 1 February Meeting  
April 4 April Meeting  
June 6 Annual Dinner



Sue says, "You can make this into a sheet cake by doubling the recipe. You can also top it off with fresh strawberries or maraschino cherries."