

ST. MARY'S CCW MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2026

President Therese Cheney called the meeting to order. There were 11 members present. We opened with a Hail Mary. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

Secretary's Report:

Rita Cheney motioned to accept the minutes from the July 14, 2026, meeting and Bea Amundson seconded. All in favor.

Correspondence:

- We received a "Thank You" from Veronica Holman for our \$200 donation to their July 3rd BINGO prizes.
- A letter from the Diocese of Duluth about the upcoming Anniversary Mass & Dinner which will be at Blessed Sacrament in Hibbing on October 24, 2026. If interested, please go to <https://www.dioceseduluth.org/marriage-and-family-life> to learn more.

Treasurer's Report:

-Tammy Palmer motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report and was seconded by Cleo Cottrell. All in favor.

Commissions/Spirituality/Leadership: (Submitted by Verdella Musech)

Leadership: Mentoring plays a vital role in developing future leaders. Effective mentoring involves active listening, spiritual guidance and the sharing of personal experience to inspire growth and confidence.

Service: Service is the natural expression of spirituality. St. Mary's CCW has long been the hands and heart of the Church through support of charitable works, needs of the Parish and community engagement.

Spirituality: Thanks to our Pastor Fr. Beau Braun and the Diocese of Duluth, St. Mary's offers many occasions for prayer and worship. Many small churches do not have what we take for granted. St. Mary's helps us grow in our faith, walk with Christ and become more like Him.

Old Business:

Signs: It was agreed that we do not need to purchase signs for events such as the Bazaar and BINGO, but keep using social media, word of mouth and putting flyers up around town.

Raffle Tickets: 24 books have been sold as of 8/10/26. We encourage all our members to take at least two books to sell or purchase. Also, if you can sell tickets after a Sunday Mass, there is a signup sheet in the social hall. All help is appreciated!

Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe: We have begun planning our pilgrimage to the Shrine. We are looking at the date of October 1st because it is one of the days in which we can be blessed with a Relic of St. Therese of Lisieux after the Mass and the fall colors should be vibrant! So far, we have 24 interested ladies signed up! The bus will hold a total of 56 passengers so let's try to fill the bus. Contact Jennifer at St. Mary's by email – jennifer.herdman@duluthcatholic.org or leave a message for her at 218-666-5334 if you would like to go. Please respond by August 21st if you are interested in going. You can visit the website at <https://guadalupeshrine.org/> to learn more. **If cost is a worry of yours, please do not let it discourage you from going – please still reach out as there are other ways that your expense could be covered.*

New Business:

Vendor Applications for Holiday Bazaar: Jennifer will get them mailed/emailed by early next week with a registration deadline of September 15th.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Ladies present at the meeting signed up to bring coffee and's for after our Feast Day Mass. Mass will be at 9:00 am on Saturday, August 15th.

Bill Peterson Memorial Golf Tournament: This tournament will be held at Vermilion Fairways on Saturday, August 23rd in memory of Bill "Petey" Peterson. Jennifer motioned to have Dawn at Northern Comfort make up a prize basket valued at \$50 as a donation for the tournament. Colleen seconded. All in favor.

Other Business:

Check Signatures: Jennifer told the members present that because the CCW operates under St. Mary's Federal Tax ID number, she should not be signing the checks for the CCW as per the Pastoral Center. Tammy motioned to add Molly Stingl as a signer, Colleen seconded. All in favor.

Down Syndrome Fundraiser – Verdella motioned to donate \$100.00 to "Down Syndrome of MN". Tammy seconded. All in favor.

Adjournment: Rita Cheney motioned to adjourn the meeting. Bea Amundson seconded. All in favor.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 8th at 10:00 am.

Closing Prayer

Respectfully submitted by,
Jennifer Herdman, Secretary/Treasurer

Happy Birthday to these ladies in July!

Karen McDermott – 4th

Jackie Hoffman – 17th

Kathy Meyer – 27th

Shawna Kishel – 28th

**If you have not yet provided me with your birthday month & year, please email me at jennifer.herdman@duluthcatholic.org*