

# **ST. ANNE'S SODALITY MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

President Carol Sieger called the meeting to order. There were eleven members present.

The meeting was opened with a prayer to St. Anne for Melissa Koenigsfeld.

The minutes from the May 6, 2024 meeting were read by Secretary Diane Rackers. A motion was made by Joyce Neuner and seconded by Karen Goodenough to approve the minutes. The motion carried.

Treasurer Janie Wallace presented the financial report. Income since the May meeting totaled \$2,416.50 and expenses totaled \$1,392.54. Income includes a \$500 donation from the Fred Bethmann family and \$200 from the Bob Rudroff family. A motion was made by Diane Rackers and seconded by Sarah Siegler to approve the financial report. The motion carried. We still haven't received payment from the parish for the quilts sold at the picnic auction. Both Diane and Doris Neier have emailed the amounts owed to the sodality.

## **Correspondence:**

A thank you note has been received from the Norbert Dill family thanking the sodality for preparing the funeral meal along with a donation for \$150.

A thank you signed by the Fatima Class of 2024 was received thanking the sodality for supporting Project Graduation.

A letter was received from CASA of Franklin, Gasconade and Osage County asking for support by displaying posters, etc. It was decided that the letter should be returned to the parish office for action.

## **Old Business:**

Diane Rackers reported that \$596.50 of tea towels were sold in the Country Store at the picnic. There are currently 11 sets of 7, 1 set of 12 monthly flowers and 38 singles of varying prices on hand. Joyce Neuner reported she has 2 sets of 7 (Churches and Hot Drinks) and 12 singles in her booth. Carol Siegler reported she has 2 sets at home that are not stamped. Doris Neier brought in a set of 7 plain towels that are available for stamping. The tea towels donated to the quilt auction at the picnic brought a total of \$850: Holiday tea towels brought \$150, Happy Hour brought \$125, Wine Country brought \$125 and Well Preserved brought \$450.

Doris Neier brought in two rolls of towel fabric to store in the quilting room. She will schedule a night to cut the fabric up.

Doris Frank is planning to send care packages to the four known college students: Ryan and Corey Bexten, Erin Fick and Meaghan Frank. Brynn Cremer was added; she is going to Springfield. It was also noted that Dalton Luebbert went to Basic Training and Jace Eisterhold will be going next summer.

Doris Frank reported that the May "School's Out Good Shepherd collection resulted in two less than full loads of donations.

Karen Goodenough reported that the August-September Fatima Caring Closet collection is a success. They have picked up three loads and she is still receiving more items. Diane mentioned that she asked the parish secretary to email the list of items needed with the church bulletin and wondered if that may have increased the amount of collections. It was agreed that this should be done for future collections.

Diane Rackers will coordinate the October collection for Birthright.

The Western Catholic Union (WCU) match of \$400 for the picnic quilt auction was presented to Doris Neier. Doris gave Janie Wallace a check for \$200 for the sodality's share of the match.

Shirley Hasenbeck was at the meeting to present the check for the Catholic Financial Life (CFL) match of \$500. The check was presented and a picture taken after the meeting. Doris Neier showed a set of 6 quilt blocks embroidered by Katie Neuner that she received from Linda Neuner. Doris suggested that these quilt blocks be considered for the CFL match quilt for the 2025 quilt auction. Shirley Hasenbeck agreed. Shirley and Doris Neier will get together to determine the pattern for piecing the quilt blocks together.

At the May sodality meeting, the request from Rick Bax for a representative on the Stewardship Council from the St. Anne's Sodality was tabled until the September meeting. Carol Siegler agreed to be the representative. Joyce Neuner noted that the next Pastoral Council meeting is September 19 in Freeburg and Carol should plan to attend this meeting.

Diane showed the box of flatware that was donated for the school cafeteria. It was noted that other donations were received and placed directly into the cafeteria.

Diane reported that she has moved the history books from the church basement to the new basement. In doing so, she discovered another box of bad history books. The current count is 45 good and 10 bad history books.

Carol contacted Shelly (Michelle) Zeilman and she has agreed to replace Jeannette Kramer and work with Mary Jane Schulte as sodality funeral meal coordinators.

### **New Business:**

Rick Bax contacted Diane Rackers about providing new parishioners with a history book. This was questioned, but everyone thought giving them one of the bad history books would be allowable.

Rick Bax also asked about providing new parishioners a cookbook, but all the cookbooks have been sold. He asked about reprinting the cookbook and Diane suggested reprinting the 150th Anniversary 1988 cookbook instead of the 2007 one. Everyone like this idea. Karen Goodenough will get an estimate from Linn Printing for copying and reprinting the 1988 cookbook.

Mary Jane Schulte suggested that the parish picture directory would be more appropriate to give new parishioners. There are no picture directories left. Life Touch that did the 2018 picture directory is no longer in business. Other parishes are not pleased with the companies they used for their picture directory because they are still waiting to receive the directories. Joyce Neuner will check on other companies that might do the picture directory.

Doris Neier asked about the number of seasonal tea towels available for sale at the fall festival. Diane did not have a count on seasonal tea towels on hand. Sarah Seigler offered to stamp some seasonal towels for embroidery.

Carol Sieger has talked with Cat Scheulen about planting flowers in the flower pots in front of church for fall. Cat plans to purchase three mums for each pot and plant them so they are blooming for the fall festival. She estimated a cost of around \$100. A motion was made by Doris Neier and seconded by Karen Goodenough to give Cat Scheulen \$100 to pay for the mums. The motion carried. Janie will send Cat a check.

Carol asked about tea towels for the Fall Festival Auction. Sarah showed a set of pie tea towels that could be matched with real pies. Carol brought several sets to also consider for the auction. Doris said that she had one set at home that she might also use. The quilting club is working on a quilt called "In the Silence" that will be donated to the Fall Festival Auction.

Diane reported on school kitchen needs. The school cook Donna has decided to just use two glass pans that she had instead of buying two new ones. Diane has emailed Debbie Reinkemeyer about the entrance mats for the cafeteria and kitchen entrance doors. Donna has suggested that the school kitchen could use a new large pot with some type of liner to prevent burning when cooking for school meals. It was suggested that two additional pots could be used when preparing funeral meals. Donna was unable to get a price for the pots before the meeting. Diane will follow up with Donna.

Carol showed a set of 12 embroidered quilt blocks done in blue for another quilt top that she is donating to the sodality for sale at the 2025 picnic quilt auction. This started a discuss regarding paying the quilting club for the cost of batting and backing for the sodality's donated and match quilts. A motion was made by Diane Rackers and seconded by Joyce Neuner to pay the quilting club \$100 (\$50 for each quilt) for batting and backing for donated and match quilts. The motion carried.

Carol announced that they are participating in the All Missouri Shop Hop. Each stop provides quilt patterns, so if they finish all stops she will have 99 patterns that she will put in a notebook for the quilting club.

Diane brought the leftover Free Bingo prizes stored in the church basement to the meeting since the sodality does not plan any additional Free Bingos. Joyce Neuner offered to take the prizes to Good Shepherd.

Carol and Sarah Siegler were applauded for their donation of quilt tops to benefit the sodality. Doris Frank was applauded for quilting and finishing the entire 2024 donated quilt.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 4 at 6:30 pm with a Soup Supper starting at 6:00 pm prior to the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer to St. Anne for Edie Reichel.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Rackers, Secretary