Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Altar Society Minutes

Meeting Date: March 1, 2026
Location: ICCC Church Basement

Opening Prayer

Old Business:

- Review of leadership roles
    - Becky G., Karla, Laura, Jeanettte, Suzie will remain in same positions for this year.
- Desserts for Fish Fries- Thank you to all who contributed on 2/20 and 2/27
- Reviewed projected plans for spring and early summer 2026
- Scholarship committee has posted information for applications
- Received thank you note from Geri Harlow- updated address in Omaha.

New Business:

- Continued reviewing the fall and winter activities for 2026
- Supplies and gifts for First Holy Communion- we have enough for this year. (To be held 5/3/26)
    - Generated ideas for future gifts- ideas were passed around including rosary boxes (baseball shaped box for boys and ceramic/floral box for girls).
- Easter Goody Bags- we have gift drawstring bags, hard candy and stickers. Gummy fruits will be purchased. Will be stuffed at 9:00am 3/8. Anyone is welcome to come and help stuff.
- Collection for foster kids- will be done in April. Price Chopper paper bags will be gathered and lists will be placed on bags for pick-up. Will do middle two weeks in April, following Easter.
- Floral arrangements:
    - Easter lilies will be picked up for Easter decorations
    - Artificial flowers for altar- tap into church member who has flower display experience
    - Researching artificial flowers for outdoors by entrance doors. Will look into high quality, fade resistant
- Altar server robes need velcro repair. Kathy and Sherry will work on removing stitching and sew on new velcro.
- Cleaning of Mary statue in front- team will do a wipe down with mild detergent to remove dirt and dust.
- Field trip ideas:
    - Conception Abbey
    - Branson to see David at Sight and Sound Theater
- Creating and making rosary bracelets or rear-view mirror beads, to be made and sold. Sherry S. will brought beads to provide an example. Have a project creation date over spring or summer to make them. Have them for sale or donations in Nov./Dec. as stocking stuffers.
- Outreach events:

    - Freedom Fest: Tent will be donated to parish. Suzie will research adhering a church logo to the tent.
    - Parade: Suggestion to purchase bulk t-shirts. These will be a 'wear over your current clothes' shirt and will be turned in at the end of each event. Will be washed and stored for next event. Will take this idea to Parish Council for purchase and logo ideas. Great if we can have these for Freedom Fest and parade.
- Updated to prayer list.
- Easter cards to be signed for Nursing Home residents.

Next Meeting:

- Fish Fry dates have been updated: 3/6 and 3/27 (not 3/20)
- Things we will research and consider-
    - Sam's Club does not make personalized cookies. We will communicate with Price Chopper to provide feedback- let cookies dry before bagging.
    - Research automobile cards for Father's Day gifts (card that says, "I am Catholic. In case of an accident or injury, please call a priest).

Treasurer's Report: $5088.56 (prior to reimbursement distribution)

Looking Ahead:

Next Third Thursday: March 19, 2026
Next meeting: April 12, 2026

Thank you for coming and sharing your talents and gifts with ICCC.