

Altar Society Meeting

April 11, 2021

8 Members Present, plus Father Bruce

Opening Prayer

General Announcements

-The first funeral dinner went well. Thanks to Kathy Vogel, Judy JoRay, Paula McNeary, Janiey Prettyman, Becky Roberts, Mary Jo Sheltn, and Becky Golba.

-Altar Society received a letter of thanks from the family of Mary Wilson, and we received a very generous donation to our group.

-Frani sent us a thank you card for the retirement gift.

Old Business

-We discussed our involvement and completion of the lenten fish frys this season.

-Easter cards were completed and delivered to Vintage Park and nursing home.

-Easter lilies were purchased and delivered to altar areas and other areas of the church as Easter decorations.

-Easter eggs and flashlights were passed out after the 8am and 10:30am masses on Easter Sunday. On April 19th, the remainder of the eggs and flashlights will be distributed to the SOR students who have not yet received them.

New Business

-Our parish communicants will be receiving gift bags from the Altar Society for their first communion containing rosary and case, luminous cross, a card and a cookie. Bags and cards have been assembled. May 2nd is first communion.

-A vote was taken on which holy cards we wish to provide for the men of our parish. There are some already available, but two types were voted on during the meeting for a total of 160. These holy cards will be set on the tables at the exit on that weekend for men to take home.

-Overview of activities for rest of year:

-Becky compiled a list and handed them out to the ladies present at the meeting. All were invited to review the events for the rest of the year and to contribute any other ideas or thoughts they may have.

Committee Reports

-Foster Care Report (Jeanette Urbom)

- Needed Items: diaper wipes, toiletries, scarves, blankets, hats, socks, personal bags
- Refer to the Piper's Project website for current needs and information

-Uplift Project Report (Jeanette Urbom)

- There is a continuing need of supplies for this ministry

-Welcome Committee

- Have been busy sending cards to the new families of our Parish. We will be adding holy family cards to include in these welcome packets.

-Outreach Group Report (Joannie)

- Cards have been going out to support those in need of prayers.

-Fund Raising Report

- It has been decided that a raffle for statues will take place in November. Please remember that these funds received from these tickets are considered donations.
- Afghans handmade by Elaine Heck are to be raffled August 15th at our parish ice cream social. The plan is to use ice cream already in individual cups, and cookies may have to be purchased individually wrapped from a store.

-Treasurer's Report (Jeanette Smotherman)

- Current balance \$4,688.79

-Scholarship Committee (Ann Mattison, Barbara Bloustine, Kathy Vogel)

- 2 recipients have been selected to receive the two scholarships available from the Altar Society. Those names will be announced at the ceremony for the school along with all other scholarship announcements.

-Grief Support Group Report (Kathy Vogel)

- Meeting April 12th at 7pm in parish hall. This group meets regularly on the second Monday of each month.

-Kathy Vogel inquired if there was information on the grief support group included in the new parishioner welcome packages—Father Bruce will confirm if there are, and if not, may give approval to include some information in the future.

-Vestment Cleaning

-No Update

-Wrap Up

-Please keep our ladies' special prayer intentions in your hearts.

-Father Bruce led us in closing prayer

Next Meeting will be on May 2, 2021