

Ladies Guild Meeting – Sunday – June 14, 2015

The meeting started at 11:50 am. Marie Reale led the meeting with a recitation of The Miraculous Medal Prayer.

Marie reminded the ladies that the minutes from the previous meeting are available on line. Emma gave the Treasurer's report. She stated that our bank balance remains at \$3080.73 with no change from the previous month as Father Sam has not yet taken out the money for the Ladies Guild's gift for Ian or for our donation towards the window. Once he does that, our balance will be reduced by \$350.00.

Old Business:

1. Marie Reale thanked Marie VanHeusen for taking care of all the details and everything for Ian VanHeusen's Ordination because it went beautifully. It was a very spiritual and meaningful experience for everyone who was able to attend. Marie VanHeusen said there was a little miracle because they had planned for a certain number for the dinner following the celebration of Ian's first Mass and there was such an outpouring and number in attendance that they were a bit worried they would not have enough food, but it was like the loaves and fishes. There was actually food left over even after a few took to go plates! She also said that Ian will be offering daily Mass this Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday while Father Sam is away. Marie Reale encouraged all the ladies that if at all possible, coming to daily mass is such a wonderful and spiritual experience and just a great way to start our day.

2. Marie VanHeusen has checked with Applebee's for available dates for our pancake breakfast fund raiser. Almost every single Saturday until November and December is already booked. The only openings were one date in October at the Applebee's near Walmart Super Center on Raeford Road heading towards Raeford or a November date at the Applebee's next to Harris Teeter on Raeford Road. A vote was taken to work around a date for the Applebee's near Harris Teeter. Marie was able to get us confirmed for Saturday, October 24th at the Harris Teeter Applebee's. The tickets are \$7.00 each and we are supposed to clear \$5.00 per ticket. Applebee's provides the food and does the cooking. All we have to do is serve the food. We voted to list the event as fund raiser for the church youth to attend World Youth Day. Marie said most of the fund raisers that Applebee's promotes are for youth oriented causes. Marie will get the tickets and then it will be our duty to sell as many as possible.

3. Marie Reale said we are still working on the kitchen cleaning project because we can't get by with just cleaning the cabinets and stuff. The paint has to be taken off the walls because of the lead content. Then once that is done, Evelyn will work with Susan Holt and the youth and maybe get the cabinets repainted and go from there. She said there is no sense in spending money if she and Susan can do the work and they are willing to do it. The goal is to do it one time really good now and then try to keep it spiffy. Marie said that years ago we did not pass inspection and now we would be required to have it up to all of the new codes if we wanted to get it inspected. And we do not need an inspection for non-commercial use and the things we typically do from our kitchen are non-commercial. Jessica asked if we have a goal to have this project completed. Marie said the walls will have to be scraped and Chuck VanHeusen and Warren Hahn have volunteered to do that; and Chuck has had some health issues and he and Warren have had time constraints up to this point. November was mentioned for our deadline so we can have it ready by December. Marie Reale also reminded us that anything that costs money, Father Sam has to approve. Evelyn motioned we table kitchen for now until the painting is done. Vote was taken to table until further discussion.

New Business:

1. Marie said the outdoor Mass is scheduled for Sunday, October 18, 2015 and there has been discussion of using Father Sam's backyard and the church Social Hall for the restroom facilities. Jessica mentioned using Honeycutt Park like we did last year as it has swings, restrooms and is fenced in. And Honeycutt worked well the last time we used it. Mary Louise said it was a good location as well and she will talk to Rodney, who is in charge of bookings. Jessica also mentioned that Honeycutt gave us more community visibility with what our church is doing as many people saw us there. Last year Father Sam provided the chicken and we all brought sides. Marie will check with Father Sam about this year and we will decide if we need to do a covered dish or just the sides. Mary Louise will speak to Rodney and will tentatively book us for 10/18/15 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

2. Marie VanHeusen printed up both a 5 x 7 size of The Miraculous Medal Prayer that we can use during and turn in after each meeting and a business card size prayer card with The Miraculous Medal Prayer that Marie Reale passed out to the ladies for us to keep. Marie VanHeusen will make more as needed.

3. Bunko night is scheduled for Friday, July 17th and Marie Reale reminded us that this is one of our little fund raisers. This will be for adults only, so no children. It will be for age 18 and up. Marie VanHeusen has access to small round tables so it will be more like playing Bridge as far as size. She explained that Bunko is a dice game and it is easy to pick up the rules as you go. Basically, you start rolling for 1's and progress on and winners move up tables and keep changing partners. It's simple and fun and you can chat while playing. A list was passed around and we have 30 people signed up so far. It's not just for ladies and friends can be invited. Everyone brings a \$5.00 donation, Marie VanHeusen will get little prizes. The evening will be from 7:00 to 10:00 pm and everyone should plan on bringing little finger foods and Marie VanHeusen will bring drinks. Marie Reale reminded us we have to keep working to raise money, have fun and bring outside people in. We are growing and we want to keep it up.

Our next meeting will be on July 12th so we can discuss further setting up the tables and the other details. Marie Reale mentioned the possibility of one of the ladies volunteering to have the ladies in their house before the Bunko date to review how to play.

4. Jessica asked about Swamp Dog Night. Marie Reale will check with Father Sam about that upon his return to see if we will have a Parrish Family Night as we have had in the past. Sheila Monsour will check with the Swamp Dogs to see if they have a church night on their schedule.

5. Marie had a couple of reminders: Father's Day is next Sunday. Father Sam will be back for next weekend Liturgies but leaves again at the end of the month for priests' meetings before the NAM Convention. The first Tuesday of the month is coming up and we **really** need people at church at 6:30 for Adoration, Meditation, the Rosary and Benediction. It is one hour spent with the Lord and is so good for your soul! Marie VanHeusen also said that Ian will be saying Daily Mass on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week while Father Sam is away and she said it really makes such a difference for your whole day if you can come at 9:00 for Mass and it's just a great way to start your day. It is only 30 minutes—Father Sam has you out by 9:30.

A motion was made to conclude the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was concluded at 12:50 with Marie Reale leading with The Miraculous Medal Prayer.

Presented by Kathy Criminger