

Ladies Guild Meeting – Sunday – July 10, 2016

The meeting was started at 12:10 pm with Father Sam leading with the recitation of The Miraculous Medal Prayer.

Marie Reale reminded the ladies that the minutes from last month's meeting are available on the web.

Emma gave the Treasurer's Report and said our bank balance has \$53.72 more than last time and current balance is \$2810.88.

Old Business

1. Newton Grove trip – Thursday, July 14 - Marie said we need to make decisions. First, as Father Sam said the Liturgy there will be at 11:00, we need to decide when to leave from here to have time to set up for Mass with the priest there. Marie checked with the ladies and it was decided to have everyone meet at our church at 9:00 with the hope of leaving from here no later than 9:15 to 9:30. Second, we need to know how many cars we will need and who will be driving and how many per car. Marie Reale (5) can drive as can Michelle Gray (6), the VanHeusens (5), Sheila and Jimmy Monsour (5), MJ Hahn (4), Ron and Wanda Foster (4) and Father Sam (4). That should be plenty of vehicles to accommodate the people who have signed up to go. Third, it will take approximately an hour to travel to Newton Grove and then everyone should have a few minutes to walk over the grounds and take pictures. But Father Sam said Liturgy is at 11:00 sharp! Then, lunch can be decided by each car. Marie VanHeusen said each car that transports people has to bring those people back to the church. Lunch can be decided on a per car basis. Wanda said there are places locally for lunch. Marie said maybe reminder calls will be made to the people who signed up to go. Marie VanHeusen will furnish the address for the church and let the church know we're planning to arrive between 10:00 and 10:30. Father Sam mentioned that the church is accommodating us to come and we need to consider giving the church a donation for letting us use their church. Father Sam will take care of that out of church fund; it will not come from the Ladies Guild as it is a church wide function. Father Sam said we need to have a clean-up crew and respect their property just as we would expect someone to treat us. When everyone meets here, go in the church and each person pick up a Liturgy book and Marie and Chuck will bring the books back. Marie VanHeusen suggested the travelers bring their Novena booklets and we can have a picture taken with everyone with their booklets for the Maronite Voice for the Year of Mercy Pilgrimage and show our church's input. Since Confession has to be within 20 days of the Pilgrimage, Father Sam said we can go wherever we choose to go. Father Sam will be available here Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. Marie VanHeusen reminded the ladies that we are to say a prayer for the Holy Father's intentions while at Liturgy at the Holy Doors.
2. Marie Reale thanked Marie VanHeusen and everyone who helped with the Octogenarian Party. It was a great success!
3. Bunko Night – Friday – July 22 – Marie said for whoever is coming, each person please try to bring somebody. This is our third time for Bunko. The first time we had good results but last time was very poorly attended. If we don't advertise and talk it up, nobody knows about it. In the church social hall, we had a nice poster. We could have fliers but if we don't publicize it more, nobody knows about it. Going forward, we will do it a little differently. Father Sam will put it in bulletin. Marie VanHeusen said she has two gift certificates from Mellow Mango and

Kangaroo. We only need 4 for Bunko so if you have any small gift items, feel free to donate. And we discussed whether or not to have each person attending making a \$5.00 donation which is a reasonable amount for an evening out and will go towards covering the electricity we use and paper products and such. Wanda made a suggestion of having a donation jar and then people can donate or not. And each attendee needs to bring a small food item like chips or dip, etc. Bunko starts at 6:30 and everyone PLEASE try to come!

4. And speaking of putting items in the bulletin, Father Sam said that he does not like to conduct business before or after Mass. If we have something to put in the bulletin, give him a note or slip it through the office mail slot by Friday. So, if you want something in the bulletin, write it down or send an email or drop it through the mail slot at office.

New Business

1. Connie Purdue's son-in-law has died unexpectedly. Marie said she is leaving on Tuesday and will be gone for the rest of the month. Please keep her and her family in our prayers. Father Sam mentioned that Ben Jenkins said that Grace has some health issues and the boys have been busy helping but she will no longer be able to be at home.
2. Lucy covered three names for the prayer chain with the ladies who were attending today and this included Chorbishop Kaddo who has been and continues to be on dialysis.
3. Wanda mentioned that a friend she had added to the prayer chain who had a brain tumor has had an absolute miracle in her recovery.

Reminders:

- 8/2/16 – First Tuesday – Adoration/Benediction/Rosary
- 8/13/16 – Rosary at 4:30 for Saturday Liturgy
- 8/14/16 – Rosary at 10:00 for Sunday Liturgy and Ladies Guild Meeting following Liturgy
- 8/15/16 - Holy Day of Obligation for The Assumption of the Virgin Mary but Father Sam will give us a dispensation since he will be away and the Roman church no longer considers this one of their Holy Days

The meeting was concluded at 1:12 pm with a recitation of The Miraculous Medal Prayer.

Presented by Kathy Criminger