

LADIES GUILD MEETING
Sunday, February 16, 2020

Present: M.J. Fredette, Jessica Guerrero, Betty Gurney, Freida Fadel, Darlene Darling, Patti Reynolds, Wanda Foster, Lucy Zahran, Lynn Vaughan, Mary Rorke, and Connie Reidlinger.

M.J., President, opened the meeting with the Miraculous Medal Prayer.

PASTOR'S COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cana Sunday – February 23. There will be a signup sheet for providing meager meals on the Fridays of Lent. Suggestions for meals are soup, bread, salad, etc.

Financial Statement – Fr. Sam will meet with the accountant on Thursday and a financial statement will be sent to the Bishop and will be distributed to the Parish families. Our assessment is \$4,500.00.

Stations of the Cross – Fridays during Lent followed by meager meal.

Priest Retreat – March 23. Fr. Sam will be attending this retreat in Fort Lauderdale.

Candles – There is not enough money coming in to sustain the cost of the candles at the entrance of the church. Ways to secure the donations for the candles will be studied.

Pendants – Pendants with medals of St. Peregrine and St. Michael are available in the store.

Minutes – The reading of the minutes will no longer be done at the meetings. If anyone isn't able to print their minutes, they will be provided at the next meeting.

Calendar – It was suggested that we bring a calendar with us to the meetings to keep up with the various activities.

Fr. Sam thanked everyone for their prayers during his treatments. His treatments are finished.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

There is a beginning balance of:	\$1,841.00
Dues received -	\$282.00
Total balance -	\$2,121.00
Monies given back to Parish -	\$1,341.00
Ending balance -	\$500.00

Wanda made a motion to accept the Treasury Report. Darlene seconded the motion.

OLD BUSINESS:

Angel Tree

It was decided to ask for 60 names for the Parish to buy Christmas gifts. Lucy made a motion to accept 60 names. Lynn seconded.

Ordination Gift

A gift of \$100.00 was given to Chuck for his ordination.

Greeters and Refreshments

The schedule for Greeters will be as follows:

Youth –	First Sunday of the month
Knights –	Second Sunday of the month
Ladies –	Third Sunday of the month
Families –	Fourth Sunday of the month

The duties of the greeters are to welcome parishioners and guests and help guests learn about the Maronite Church by providing pamphlets and helping them during the Liturgy if needed.

Parish Meeting

The Parish meeting was successful. There are notes concerning the meeting on the Bulletin Board. Some of the suggestions that were made and are being implemented are:

1. – Improvements to the Website are being made.
2. – A picture of Pope Francis is now at the entrance of the church.
3. – There will be 8 spaces available for businesses to purchase ads on the back of the bulletin.

NEW BUSINESS

Stations of the Cross and Meager Meals

A signup sheet will be available to provide meager meals during Lent. The setup time is 6:00. Stations of the Cross will follow the meal.

Day of Reflection

The Day of Reflection will be Saturday, March 21 from 9:30 to 1:00. Lunch will follow. Fr. Sam, Fr. Jack and Deacon Chuck will be the presenters.

Fundraising Ideas

The Ladies were asked to think of fundraisers for this year.

Gift Cards and Meals

A suggestion was made to provide gift cards of \$25.00 to expectant mothers of the parish. An email will be sent out to confirm the amount of the gift cards.

The Sunshine Committee will also offer to bring meals to the new moms.

The next Ladies Guild meeting will be held on Sunday, March 8.

Lucy made a motion to adjourn and Patti seconded the motion. The meeting closed with recitation of the Hail Mary.

Respectfully submitted by Betty Gurney