St Joseph Altar Society Minutes – January 23, 2023meeting

President Kathie Knerl called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and opened with the St Joseph prayer. The following members were in attendance: Connie Block, Jamie Hamar, Fran Hassler, Vicki Irby, Kathie Knerl, Deb Krause, Connie Peterson, Anne Stark, Joan Taylor, Jamie Thoene, Nancy Walsh

Minutes from the October 24, 2022 meeting were read. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Deb K with a 2nd by Nancy W. MCU

Treasurer Nancy Walsh recapped deposits and expenses. Our current checking account balance is \$8,947.46 with outstanding checks that when cleared will reflect a balance of \$8,388.30.

Funerals

Funeral for Melissa Clarkson, January 21, 2023

Fran H and Jamie H reported on the organizing and outcome of the funeral service and luncheon of sandwiches, chips, cookies and beverages along with food donations others brought for the family. Services were held at PSP Resource Center with approx. 400 in attendance. Approx 250 were served during the visitation before and after the service.

The next funeral will be hosted by Circle 1.

Correspondence

A note from Father Andy was circulated thanking the Altar Society for a monetary Christmas gift.

Installation of Officers – At this point of the meeting, the following slate of offices were installed.

President – Deb Krause

Vice President – Jamie Thoene

Treasurer – Nancy Walsh

Secretary – Vicki Irby

Funeral Co-chairs – Jamie Hamar and Melissa Olander

Circle Chairs – 1) Anne Stark and Joan Taylor 2) Connie Block and Connie Peterson

Old Business

Circle assignments – Deb K distributed a first draft of circle assignments for review (change from three circles to two). A few more updates will be made to further balance the groups, add new members and move retiring members to honorary status. New lists will be available at our next meeting.

New Business

2023 calendar – In addition to the meeting dates and Fall Festival, two dates were selected to host 'coffee & rolls' were scheduled:

Feast day of St Joseph March 19, 2023 Circle 2
Graduate honor Sunday April 30, 2023 Circle 1

2023 budget – Our existing annual budget was reviewed. Due to Journey of Faith changes, we removed one item, priest appreciation at \$75. Remaining expenses will remain on the annual budget. Motion to approve was made by Kathie K with a 2nd by Joan T. MCU

St Peters Sodality – offer our assistance with serving their centennial meal – Members shared limited information, primarily that the celebration will be the Sunday of Memorial Day weekend. Deb will reach out to St Peters to find out what we can do to assist. Further discussion on how we can help will be had when we know more.

Other discussion – Members mentioned Father Jim is planning a celebration for his Jubilee to be held at Wayne NE, marking 50 years of priesthood.

Fran Hassler will contact Kristie Hayes for additional direction concerning office equipment (laptop(s), printer etc) and report back for further discussion.

There being no further business, Connie P made a motion to close the meeting at 8:10 PM, with a 2nd by Anne S. MCU

Deb thanked Kathie for her past years of service and adjourned the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Vicki Irby, Secretary St Joseph's Altar Society