Women's Council Meeting July 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Mary Marinucci. There were 11 ladies present. Deb Stock attended. Mary opened with a prayer.

Secretary's minutes were read and approved.

Treasurer's report was read and approved. It was decided that Sunday coffee money would be recorded on the calendar in the kitchen after each Sunday. We would like to keep track of the size crowds we are getting on Sundays for coffee.

Committee Reports

Missions: Gladys notified Mary of items needed for newborn and hospice kits. Gladys will try to purchase some of the items.

Food Shelf: Sharon Thole stated that August is St. Edward's month to volunteer. This will be the last month the churches will be assigned months to work. After this, individuals may sign up on line or with their church rep. It is recommended to have 5 volunteers. She also reminded us that July is personal care items month.

Flowers: Kathleen reported that flower requests from parishioners has come to a screeching halt! It is suggested to have the lectors give an update on how and why to order flowers for memorials, etc. also, consider placing posters at each door. Kathleen is also happy to get flowers from private gardens.

Kitchen: Rosanne reported the new faucets are installed in the kitchen. There are concerns regarding having children join Father Joe in the kitchen for baking. Deb informed the group of the Diocese rules: Children have to be accompanied by parents, release forms must be signed and parents must stay with the children for the duration. Any money received from the sale of rolls will be kept in a cash box in the office. Any money needed for roll supplies will come out of that cash box.

Old Business:

Rosanne reported that Chuck Bowman has agreed to set up training times for using the AED. He is hoping sometime in mid September will work. There has been an increased demand for instructors.

Some concerns were voiced about the handling of pecan pies after purchase at our pie sale. It was determined to print a disclaimer and place with the pie to give suggestions for refrigeration.

Signs for the bake sales and deer hunter's dinner. We will purchase A-frame signs with slidable inserts. Cost is \$180 per A-frame and \$15-\$20 dollars for inserts. Rosanne is going to work on signage. Deb Stock will talk to her ladies group at St. Paul's for OK to order signs.

New Business:

Deacon Jim Clack will be holding classes for ushers, lectors, servers and sacristans beginning July 29th at St. Edward's. Additional classes will be held for those unable to attend the first one.

Father Joe is now having his nephew make caramels when he needs them. He ran out of caramels for the parade on the 4th of July and has ideas for next year. He is suggesting St. Edward's have a float in the parade.

The Grow light is not working. Dale has checked it and it seems the control is not working. Janice will follow up to see if the warranty will cover replacement.

Deb Stock, a member of the Mary Group, relayed that the Mary Group will sponsor a presentation of the Sistine Chapel on August 14 at 6:30 pm. It will be open to the community with refreshments.

Father Joe will be gone from July 18 to July 28. No morning masses at this time.

St. Paul's had a successful bucket raffle and pancake breakfast for Big Foot Days.

Andrea Richards from the food shelf contacted Deb for help from St. Vincent de Paul for a family of seven that lost their home due to a fire. After discussion, it MSP to donate \$500 for the family through St. Vincent de Paul.

Deb notified us that Deacon Jim has declined taking a salary. He will be gone on a pilgrimage to Spain from September to October. The trustees will act in his absence.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 am Next meeting August 9, 9:00 am

Respectfully submitted, Janice Prucha, secretary