

MINUTES FROM ST. ANNE'S CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MEETING

St. Anne's Christian Women met Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the Mary Hall foyer area. President Pat Salzbrun called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm with the opening prayer and Pledge of allegiance; 11 members were present. Minutes from the Sept. 15, 2020 meeting were read and approved. Also approved was the treasurer's report showing \$1,260.33 in checking and \$2,437.63 in savings for a total of \$3697.96.

OLD BUSINESS

October Rosary...Lisa Lichte has placed a sign up sheet on the back table in church for people to sign up for leading the rosary before our October Sunday Masses . Also the weekly rosary begun in August, continues to be prayed each Tuesday morning in church following Word and Communion, the intention being for our nation and God's blessing on our November election. Members were encouraged to participate and lead if they wish.

November Raffle...Char Volkmuth reported the Nov. 22nd raffle fundraiser is coming along nicely with about a dozen prizes already on the prize list. Pat Salzbrun will place a box in the back of church for the placement of raffle grocery items. Envelopes with chance books (2 books of 10 per member) will be available for pickup on Sun., Nov. 1st. Members are urged to take not only their own, but also any others they can deliver.

Honoring of 50 Year Members...Pat contacted our one 50 year member from this year. She was fine with having no recognition ceremony this year but waiting to be included with next year's group.

Donations...Motion was made and approved to give \$400.00 to the Poor Clares and \$250.00 to Quiet Oaks Hospice. Regarding a possible donation to the Food Shelf, Char will check with Food Shelves in St. Cloud, Kimball and Cold Spring to determine current needs and report back at our Nov. meeting at which time a donation will be considered.

Search for Treasurer...Possible candidates suggested at the September meeting for the office of treasurer were contacted but none accepted. Members were encouraged to help find other candidates. Current treasurer, Jean Schabel, stated she definitely will step down come our Nov. meeting.

Haloos...were given by President Pat as follows:

- 1.) To Karen Des Autels for 6 years of dedicated service as President
- 2.) To Jean Schabel for 8 years of dedicated service as Treasurer
- 3.) To Char Volkmuth for continuing on as Secretary

New Business

Remembrance Mass...honoring the six members of our parish who passed away during the past year will be Monday evening, Nov. 2nd at 7:00 pm. Because of Covid 19's limited seating capacity in church at this time, this will be a private Mass, only for families/friends of the deceased. Char reported invitation letters have gone out with RSVP's to be back by Oct. 20th. Since we cannot have a reception this year, motion was made and approved to allow Karen Des Autels to come up with a token gift item for each family to show empathy with their loss. Pat Salzbrun, Micki Schriml and Karen Des Autels offered to help with hospitality at the Mass.

Sharing Tree... President Pat will contact Tony and Kelly Knier to see if they are again planning a Sharing Tree for the upcoming holiday season. If so, our group will give up to \$200.00 for any tags not taken.

40 Days for Life... Char reported that 40 Days, now in its 13th year, has 588 sites around the globe for this fall campaign, with confirmed reports coming in each day of babies “saved”. Locally, several parishioners along with others from the area, cover the Tuesday hours walking in front of St. Cloud’s Planned Parenthood on the east side. They are sometimes joined by “Drop ins” who are always warmly welcomed including area pastors and young Moms with their families. Public response is varied but thankfully the positive always outweighs the negative. A recent encounter with a woman highly critical of the walkers and their efforts, found her leaving with a smile and a more positive attitude about prolife efforts after a lengthy and heart to heart conversation with our sidewalk walkers.

Sanitizing of Church... The evening’s discussion brought up the question of sanitizing of our church following weddings and funerals. Char will follow up on this.

Meeting Adjourned... at 7:32 pm with door prize going to Millie Brunn, prayer partner assignment and closing prayer.

Following Adjournment... members who were able to stay, prayed the rosary for fellow member, Joan Woyke, whose funeral had been celebrated that morning.

Next Meeting... will be Tuesday, November 10th in Mary Hall Foyer at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Char Volkmuth, Secretary