

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

St. Anne's Christian Women met Tuesday, November 12th, 2019 in Mary Hall; social at 6:30 pm followed by business meeting at 6:45 pm. President Karen Des Autels called the meeting to order with the opening prayer and Pledge of allegiance; 13 members were present. Minutes from the Oct. 8th meeting were read with one correction; the location of the pro life memorial is 250th St., not County Rd. 136. With that revision, the minutes were then approved. The treasurer's report showing \$799.85 in checking and \$1,536.13 in savings was also approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Annual Remembrance Mass ... Three families took part in this Nov. 3rd Mass with 16 people (including our workers) attending our reception in the beautifully decorated Mary Hall foyer. The families greatly appreciated this effort on their behalf which gave them opportunity to share fellowship and memories.

Server's Appreciation on Nov. 8th...went smoothly per word from Kelly Knier who chaired the event along with her husband, Tony. Our 7 servers (plus 6 others) who took part in the skating and pizza at the Skatin Place had a fun time while the 9 who chose to receive a movie ticket much appreciated being remembered. All in all, the event helped people feel appreciated and was well received.

November Fundraising Breakfast... Plans are well in place and moving right along for our Nov. 24th breakfast. Set up will be Saturday morning, Nov. 23rd at 9:00 am. Theme will be "Count Your Blessings" with blessings named by our school children to be part of the decorations on the cafeteria wall.

Food Processor...The recent bulletin appeals requesting funds to help pay for a new food processor for our kitchen brought in all but \$100.00 of the needed amount. Motion was made and approved that we donate the \$100.00 shortfall so the purchase can move ahead.

Service Ministry Project... Last month's Winter Roundup Clothing collection proved to be very successful with 45 pounds of clothing being collected in a very short time. Our thanks to President Karen for initiating this project and taking the donations to the Cold Spring School District Education Facility for distribution to the Rocori Community Closet.

Our ministry project this month is to say a daily prayer for souls in Purgatory who have no one to pray for them.

Halos...were given to

1. **Charlie Dombrowski** for placing the letters on the outdoor sign in our school entry area to advertise school/parish events and to
2. **Kelly Knier** for organizing and chaperoning the Nov. 8th server's Appreciation at the Skatin Place.

NEW BUSINESS

Christmas Party...will be held Tuesday, Dec. 10th, beginning with a light meal (prepared by our officers) at 6:30 pm followed by a brief business meeting and party. President Karen and Linda Weber will plan the entertainment. Members should bring a plate of Christmas cookies/treats to share plus a new baby item for the "Baby Jesus Shower" to benefit Elevate Pregnancy Center and socks/personal items for Place of Hope.

Christmas Gifts... Motion was made and approved to purchase Scrip cards for Fr. Ron and Deacon Dan for the vendor of their choice. Each will also be given a basket of homemade goodies such as baked, canned, or frozen items. Donations for these baskets must be to President Karen by Thursday, Dec. 5th.

Legislative Report...Vicky Kohorst attended the Oct. 10th MCCL Fall Informational session at the St. Cloud Library which she said had a large attendance. Statistics from July 1994 thru Dec., 2017 show the total amount of tax payer dollars given in MN to abortion providers to be at \$25, 713,312.62. We can expect a challenging legislative session ahead as attempts will be made to overturn recent pro life gains. The issue of assisted suicide is also likely to come up. To combat these efforts, Vicky encouraged **PRAYER**, keeping informed and remaining vigilant.

Karen thanked Vicky for attending and reporting back to us.

Donations to be Considered at our December Meeting Include:

- Sharing and Caring Hands, the non-profit Mpls. based Ministry for the Needy headed by Mary Jo Copeland (recommended by Kathy Watrin)
- Funds (approximately \$220.00) requested by Hildegard Rohe for her Quilting Group to buy 6 rolls of batting. Last year their group made and distributed 220 quilts to various area charities.

Meeting Adjourned...at 7:45 pm with closing prayer followed by prayer partner exchange and door prize drawing (2) won by Linda Weber and Delores Heid. Next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 10th in Mary Hall, with light meal at 6:30 pm followed by brief meeting and Christmas party.

Respectfully Submitted,
Char Volkmuth, Secretary