

Our Lady of Grace Altar Society

5/4/21

Opening prayer for special intentions.

Roll call at 1935. Present: St Bridget, St Louise, St Monica, and St Veronica.

Fr Bruce expressed his appreciation and thanks to the Altar Society for the work that we do.

Secretary's report

Approved (moved by Bernie and seconded by Garnetta)

Treasurer no report this meeting

Old Business:

Serving schedule: June and July funerals will be with St Veronica. St Monica will take care of May events (except funerals). Five circles serve for funerals (including St Francis). Four circles serve all other events.

Funerals: Lunch price is \$5 per plate. Serving group will continue to fill out report sheet and turn it in with any monies received to Deacon Steve. Please refill containers for creamer and sugar and salt/pepper.

First Eucharist Sat 4/10 7 pm served cake/coffee/lemonade (Doris Bachmeier, Mary Brown, Mary Finley, Shirley Anderson). Sunday 4/11 at 1:30 pm cake served (2 Faith Formation parents, 1 student, Doris Bachmeier). Regular fellowship with donuts and drinks began 4/11.

Scholarships Applications were due 4/23 and winners chosen by St. Louise

Three \$300 Altar Society: Berkley Lundeen, Bentley Schneider, Tochi Udekwe

Two \$250 Brent Weston: Malia Franks, Adelynn Selk

Scholarships are paid to BRHS in September

Recipients are recognized at BRHS ceremony May 5

Cleaning of fridge and freezer was done by Bernie Hager, Ali Coleman, Virginia Swensrud, Cathy Hegre, Ellie Schultz. They also wiped down the cupboards and cleaned the ice machine. The coffee pot has been fixed (Doris will check).

April 17/18 Kim Hunt spoke at each of the masses about Altar Society and invited new women to join. She and several Altar Society members were available after each mass to talk to anyone interested.

New Parishioners welcomed at masses on May 1 and 2. Fellowship was served after each Mass. St Monica served cookies and drinks after the Saturday mass. Regular fellowship was served Sunday.

Ice cream social was held Saturday, May 1 from 1:30-2:30 pm, hosted by St Monica. Thirty-five women attended. Ali took pictures. Kim purchased door prizes (12 at a cost of \$150).

New officers: Due to the pandemic and some cancelled meetings, offices have volunteered to continue their roles for the next year. Doris Bachmeier, Ali Coleman, Cathy Gamas, Sue Weston. Reinstallation will occur in September.

St Francis Circle is needing a new president. Any suggestions?

New Business:

Raelyn Streich fundraiser will be May 7 at Moose 4:30-8:30. The family are members of OLG; Raelyn attended Catechisis of the Good Shepherd program.

Carnations Minot Right to Life will be selling carnations for Mother's Day at masses May 8 & 9. Suggested donation \$2.

Wednesday fellowship will continue the second Wednesday of the month (May 12). Coffee and donuts will be served after 9 am mass in the dining room. Teen will pick up donuts and 2 volunteers from St Monica will make coffee and help serve. Fellowship will then stop for the summer and resume in September.

Charismatic mass will be Saturday, May 15 at 9:50 am at OLG. Everyone is welcome.

Graduate recognition: Cake will be served after the 10:30 am mass on May 23 (donut fellowship concurrently with Cathy Hegre, Rose Weisenburger, Stella Lenertz). We need 2 from St Monica to serve cake. Tanya is ordering the cake. It is also Pentecost but we will not have a "happy birthday, church" cake this year.

Mass for living and deceased members of Altar Society May 4 and October 5, both at 7 pm.

Deacon Jacob Degele will be ordained a priest Friday June 11 at 3 pm in Bismarck. A bus will leave OLG at noon to go to the ordination and supper prior to returning to Minot. Cost is \$20 trip and dinner.

Blood drive Tuesday May 18 1-6 pm in the basement of St Leo's church, hosted by the KCs. Call Jim Olson at 837-6200 for an appointment (required).

Fr Bruce is retiring at the end of June and will be living in Hebron. Recognition dinner will be Wednesday, June 23 served by the KCs after a 5 pm celebration mass. Supper is in the dining room.

Thank you, Father Bruce reception/fellowship will be June 26 & 27. St Veronica will serve cake after all masses, make drinks for 4 pm mass. Regular fellowship/donuts will be served on Sunday.

Parish picnic/welcome is tentatively set for September 15 with welcome for Fr Maus and Fr Degele (who begin duties at OLG July 1) as well as The Amazing Race for Faith Formation.

Confirmation is scheduled October 10 at 2 pm with Bishop Kagan (32 students). St Veronica will serve cake and drinks after mass.

Altar Society pamphlets were reviewed. The phone number is incorrect. There are also 5 circles currently, not 4. These items will be corrected and more brochures will be printed.

The Columbian Club has a new manager, Kim Reiswig.

Faith Formation volunteer dinner will be May 5.

Meeting adjourned at 2050. Next meeting will be 9/7 after 7 pm mass.