

Our Lady of Grace Large Altar Society
Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2025@ 7:30 pm

Opening Prayer:

Roll Call: St. Bridget (4), St. Frances (0), St. Louise (3), St. Monica (2), St. Veronica (1)

Correction to October's meeting minutes: there were (3) \$25.00 gift cards given for entertainment and speaker instead of (2) \$50.00 gift cards given. Motion to approve minutes with changes made by Kim H. sec. by Diana R.

Thank you, card from Deacon Steve, thanking us for money given in his name to Saint Vincent de Paul.

Treasurer's Report: Report approved by Bernie H. sec. by Garnetta S.

Old Business: Funerals served since we last met. There were a couple funerals where no lunch was served and due to circumstances, the rotation was changed.

November, 14 for S. Mosser/St. Frances

November, 21 for J. Velo/St. Louise

November, 22 for M. Limke/St. Monica

November, 30 for M. Bertsch/ St. Bridget

December, 3 for G. Parisien/St. Frances

December, 13 for J. Burckhard/St. Louise

December, 21 for B. Ressler/St. Monica

January, 8 for M. Dangel/St. Bridget

January, 21 for M. McLeod/St. Frances

January, 28 for W. Schaan/St. Louise

January, 28 for D. Baker/ St. Bridget

St. Monica will serve the next funeral.

Nancy Erickson is now overseeing the kitchen and pantry room. If you see something that needs to be reordered or if an item is missing or if something is not working, please contact Nancy. Sharon Donamaria has her contact information.

November 6 - *Treasures of the Church* meal and activities, we served 250 people. Menu was pizza, carrots, celery, and cookies. Three ladies set up, eight ladies served, five Confirmation students plus one adult were in the dining room. Christine and Tanya decorated the tables.

December 7 - *Annual Christmas Potluck and party.* Nine tables were set up and there were ladies at each table. The musical entertainment was provided by Monique Franks, and Kathy Borgen. The director of Endeavor House spoke about that program that provides a sober living environment for women. Gift cards were given as door prizes and as gifts to

our presenters. Money was given as a donation in the names of our priests and deacons to St. Vincent de Paul.

New Business: Lenten Meals

1. **Ash Wednesday, March 5, 2025** Meal will be served beginning at 5:00 until after 7:00 pm Mass.

Menu: Soup prepared by the KC's

St. Bridget's circle will serve the soup and prepare the egg salad, tuna salad and PB& Jelly sandwiches also PB sandwiches.

Hopefully there will be confirmation student to help (in 2024 St. Monica's group served 150- 175 people. They used 17 loaves of bread, 9 dozen eggs, 7 12oz cans of tuna (in water). Also prepared PB&J and PB sandwiches.

2. **Friday, March 14, 2025** Father and his crew will be making pizza. **St. Veronica's** circle will serve lettuce salad and dressing (ordered from Homesteader's) and clean up. Hopefully confirmation students will be there to help. (In 2024 St. Veronica's circle and several families served about 200 people.)

3. **Friday, March 21, 2025** Soup and sandwiches prepared and served by St. Louise circle. (In 2024 St. Monica's circle served soup and sandwiches to 80-85 people. Homesteader's prepared one electric roaster of tomato soup. **Suggested that more soup be ordered.** They used 8 dozen buns (suggest that bead be used), 5 dozen eggs and 4 large cans of tuna plus two loaves of bread for PB&J and PB sandwiches.

4. **Friday, March 28, 2025 KC Fish Fry**

The Altar Society has been asked to assist by providing and cutting bars along with helping in the dining room by cleaning tables, and overseeing the coffee and water. (In 2024 they planned on serving 400 people.) 2—25 ladies provided bars and 10 ladies helped in the dining room. KC members and their wives also brought bars and worked.

My suggestion is this.....

Each of the circles ask 4 of their members to provide a **jelly roll sized pan of bars – uncut** by 1:00 that afternoon. Each of the circles have 2 members come to cut the bars;

First shift: St. Bridget and St. Louise 2:00-4:00

Second shift: St. Monica and St. Veronica 4:00-6:00

5. **Friday, April 4, 2025** Soup and sandwiches served by St. Monica's group.

New Business (continued)

Jessica Donamaria has resigned from her position as vice-president.

Since nominations and elections will be held this May 2025, we will not be filling this position until then.

Elections: St. Louise will form a nominating committee of three ladies. Nominations will be brought to the May 2025 meeting for the elections. These officers will be installed at the September 2025 meeting. We are looking for president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. Please consider filling one of these positions. It is not hard to do and you will have help if you need it.

THIS AND THAT

**First Eucharist Reception (total of 57 children)*

Saturday, April 26, after the 4:00 Mass- St. Louise will serve cake and beverages.

Sunday, April 27, after 10:30 Mass- St. Louise will serve cake only (KC breakfast that Sunday).

Tanya Watterud will order and deliver the cakes.

**Reception for this year's graduates*

Sunday, May 11th (Mother's Day) after 10:30 mass. Cake and beverages will be served by St. Monica's circle.

**The May Altar Society* meeting will be on May 6th. We will have the ice cream social and elections. St. Monica's circle will serve the ice cream and toppings.

***Parish Directory Pictures:** I have been asked by the office staff to let you ladies know that help will be needed to greet parishioners and answer questions when they arrive for their photography session.

Dates: April 8, 10, 11, 12, 22, 24 and 25

May 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24

Please bring this information to your membership. Volunteers should then talk to Sharon Donamaria so she can enter their names into the schedule.

Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting- Tuesday, March 4, 2025 after Mass.