

## St. Bernadette Altar Society Minutes – April 9, 2026

Members in attendance: 40

6:15: Mary asked for prayer intentions. A/S members took turns leading a decade of the rosary for the intentions mentioned.

6:30: We began the meeting with our Opening Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Mary welcomed the Altar Society members. Happy Birthday wishes to all April birthdays.

Church renovation update: Stained Glass Window Project: Greg Zoucha, who is on the renovation committee, presented to us a sample of the plexi-glass made by a local artist that will be installed in the back of the church. We were also shown pictures of samples of the artist's glass work. Progress is being made. Grand piano is in the choir, speakers are in and pews are nearing completion. Greg reported that on May 29<sup>th</sup>, the Construction Company will give us the keys.

Mary said the Blessing. We enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by Cheryl Adamson, Debbie Gray, Linda Harvey, Sharon Jedlicka, Sue Miller and Veronica Diaz-Vera.

7:06: Meeting came to order. Members read the minutes from the March meeting. Joan Foreman-Mertz motioned to approve the minutes. Chris Flanagan seconded.

Correspondence: None

Linda Krupa presented the Treasury Report. Ending savings balance was \$23,241.91; checking balance was \$4,444.64. Gail Micek motioned to approve the report and Theresa Yost seconded.

Bills: None

### **Old Business:**

Confirmation Dinner scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup>: Dinner is taken care of.

Magnificat – New Name: St Elena Prayer Rooms

Palm Sunday Bake Sale/Raffle: March 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>: Thank you to Mary Sporcic and Rosary Sorensen as OWLS, plus all who donated and volunteered their time. The bake sale made \$424.00 and the raffle made \$418.00.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dinner: A/S donated \$500 for the dinner.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholarship: 7 scholarships will be given: 1 @ \$2,000 and 6 @ \$1,500.

### **New Business:**

St. Elena Prayer Rooms: Annette Jordan reported: Formerly Magnificat, St. Elena Prayer Rooms is a new Catholic women's non-profit organization inspired by St. Elena Guerra to pray for an

outpouring of the Holy Spirit for miracles & healing. The next St. Elena Prayer Room meeting is Saturday, June 27 at St. Robert Bellarmine.

Altar Cloths: Kelly Linder reported on our need for altar cloths for our new back altar. Also needed are tall candles. An angel statue is being considered, as well as a new urn for flowers in front of Mary. Expensive items. A suggestion was made to have the old candles, cloths, etc. available for purchase to parishoners that may want for souvenirs.

Woman of the Year Celebration to be held at St. Bernadette on April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. "Run For The Roses" Women's Catholic Derby. Buy your tickets now - \$15/person.

Kim Yost spoke about the Prayer Line "Prayer Warriors": She had 10 people sign up to monitor email requests. 8 people signed up for phone call requests. If interested in volunteering to be a Prayer Warrior, a sign up sheet was passed around for additional volunteers.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholarships: 7 scholarships will be given: 1 @ \$2,000 and 6 @ \$1,500. 10 children from the school will be taking the test and probably more from PRE. Volunteers are needed to interview and also to evaluate recommendations.

OUCCW: Recap from Theresa Yost of some highlights from the last meeting: Deacon Tom Schulte from Holy Ghost was a guest speaker on the topic of discipleship. The district wide Catholic Women Awards will be held May 7. Norfolk "Day of Spirituality" will be held June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Nominees are needed for A/S Vice President and Treasurer. Mary Blaszak will retain her position as President and Christine Kenny as Secretary.

May Meeting will be held May,14, 2026 due to school needing social hall on May 7<sup>th</sup>. It will be a POTLUCK dinner. Sign-up Genius will be made available.

HG Women's Club meeting: April 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:30pm Holy Ghost social hall. All ladies welcome.

Monkey Business: Margaret McCoy humored us all with "Squirrels in Church" joke.

Bingo game was played.

Split the Pot winner was Theresa Yost: \$18.50.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 with the Closing Prayer.