

Immaculate Heart Council of Catholic Women

Minutes of January 8, 2026



1. The meeting was called to order at 9:15 by President, Jeanne C.
2. The opening prayer to our Lady of Good Counsel was prayed by the attendees.
3. Roll call of officers showed all were present.
4. New Attendees - Jan F joined us today. Welcome, Jan!

NEW BUSINESS

1. Fat Tuesday - February 17. Bill and Shelly B will help Sharon set up Monday, Feb. 16. Carmen A & Debby F will help in the AM on Tuesday. Betty Sch, Weezie and Kim will work at the sign in table at 4:00. Joan J and Pam P will pour lemonade.
2. Votive Candle Update - Carmen A will now help take care of the candle stations.
3. Paul Bunyan Cyclists Tour of Lakes bike ride is Saturday, June 6. Those helping at the rest area are, Joan J, Jeanne C, Nancy S, Mary Ka, Kim W, Shelly B.
4. Out To Lunch Bunch - We will meet at Riverside in Crosslake on February 26th at 11:30 a.m.
5. Bake Sale Co-Chairs - Susan B and Anita B have offered to help set up on Fridays before the sales. Anita B will help with sales on Saturday afternoons. Nancy S will help with sales and clean-up Sundays.
6. Bake sale this weekend - a sign up sheet went around for volunteers to help with the sale.
7. Meal Train for Babies - see Flocknotes. Sign up if interested in bringing meals to those with new babies.
8. In It Together, Helping Hands, The Call, Friends in Faith, Thrive or Lives Enhanced. Joann B, Loie O, Joan J, Pam C Betty S and Shelly B have agreed to work with Deacon Jim on forming a group to help those in need in our parish.
9. St. Patrick's Cookie sales - It was decided to table this for now.
10. St. Patrick's display/check on prayer cards - Susan B and Betty Sch will work on this display.
11. Easter Baskets - We will work on providing Easter Baskets to the Crosslake Food Shelf.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Food Shelf Birthday Cake packing went well. Kits were delivered to Emily and Crosslake Food Shelves. We will continue this ministry.
2. Meal Packing in Nisswa - this went well and will continue in the future

COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS REPORTS

1. Funerals - Sharon reported the Koch, Ess and Schweiters funerals went well. Thanks to those that helped!
2. Sunshine - Joan J sent cards to Cheryl C, Jeanne O's family, Roger S's family, John K's family, Ken E's family, Joe and Tracy T, Fr. Tony, Sue W, Kitty Y, and Sue P.
3. Welcome Bags - no report -the committee would like another volunteer to join this ministry.
4. Hygiene Bags - no report
5. Birthing Kits - Anita has 70 birthing kits ready to be picked up. Loie O volunteered to help Anita with this ministry. Needed items are soap, Onesies and baby hats.
6. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the 1st and 4th Thursdays of the month. Shawls are needed.
7. Layettes/volunteers to distribute - no report
8. Pro Life News - Mary D reported about 100 people joined the March For Life January 22.
Mary will assess fabric from a friend and distribute accordingly.

9. Outreach Committee - 16 people turned out for the moonlit snowshoe walk on February 1.

On March 19 a talk will be given on Waking Up Your Garden Beds at 6:00 in the IHC Social Hall.

10. Prayer Requests - A Hail Mary was prayed for the following: Frank M, Bruce, Nicole, Nancy S's aunt, Shelly B's son-in-law, Ed, Sue S, June J, Diane B's brother-in-law, Anita B's neighbor, Joe, Tom B's cousin and Jeanne C's son's girlfriend's Mom. Pam P reminded us to reach out to those who have lost a loved one.

11. Birthdays/Anniversaries/Celebrations/Kudos - Roxie H and Diane B have birthdays in February. Loie and Ken O celebrate 42 years this month. Sharon R shared the donations to CCW from the Koch funeral were due to the fact that several from our parish conduct Communion Services at Whitefish at the Lakes.

12. January's treasurer's report was approved by Mary D, seconded by Nancy S and carried. A discussion was held regarding whether Water for Life and the Madonna Fund were part of NCCW. It was determined they were and we will continue to donate to those causes.

13. January's minutes were approved by Debby F, seconded by Carmen A, and carried.

14. Communication - Thank you notes from Interfaith Volunteers, Birthright, Emily Food Shelf, MCCL, Molo Medical Missions, and ProLife Across America were read. The MCCL newsletter and a letter from St. Michael's church and National Right to Life were shared.

15. Refreshments were provided by Sharon R and Kim W. March treats will be provided by Bobbi S and Shelly B.

16. Children's Mass Bags - Loie O shared the new and improved Mass bags. She is in need of small note pads and stickers.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb 14-15 Bake Sale

Feb 17 Fat Tuesday Bingo

Mar 19 Outreach - Wake up the Garden with Shelly from Landsburg

Apr 28 BDCCW Spring Conference

No priest birthdays or anniversaries until March

A Closing Prayer was shared by Betty Sch. Nancy S will lead the closing prayer in March.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Fr. Tony, seconded by Weezie S and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly B

Attendees - Sandra H, Shelly B, Weezie S, Joan J, Kim W, Jeanne C, Anita B, Helen F, Susan R, Mary Ka, Joann B, Roxie H, Bobbi S, Susan B, Kaye P, Addie B, Loie O, Jan C, Diane L, Sharon R, Debby F, Cheryl C, Mary D, Pam C, Nancy S, Carmen A, Dodo F, Pam P