

Queen of the Apostles PCCW Meeting

May 21, 2026

The PCCW meeting was called to order with a prayer and the pledge by Co-President Carol Stevens at 4:04pm. Fourteen women were present.

The April minutes were approved: Anna Ledvina; 2nd Natalie Halfman

Correspondence

Thank-You note from the families of Charles “Chuck” Picard the hospitality and wonderful funeral luncheon.

Thank-You note from Teri Mueller for the Honorary Luncheon and a thank you card from QA PTA for the basket for the St. Patrick’s Day Carnival.

Treasurer’s Report

The current balance is \$18,597.85. This report was filed for audit.

Pastor’s Update

Last day of school is on Friday. Currently we need to fill a 5th grade teacher position and two teacher’s aides with interviews ongoing. Currently the construction is ahead of schedule. The Parish and School offices will be moved to the conference room and the 1st grade rooms for the summer, since construction workers will be working in that area. Eight students were confirmed last night.

The first week of June, we will host Altar Servers Boot Camp for new servers and for our veteran servers to refresh skills and assist with new servers.

The parish has purchased a set of vestments for Deacon Bob and soon-to-be Deacon Jon for St. Marys and St. Andrews, so they will match the vestment that he would be wearing.

Corpus Christi /Celebration of Jon Burbach’s ordination to Deacon luncheon will be held on June 7 after the Corpus Christi procession, around noon.

Commission Reports

- **Leadership** – Tomah Deanery Spring Gathering was held May 2 at Holy Angels Parish in BRF. Lisa Mueller gave an amazing overview on grief: what is loss, what is grief, how different people grieve and some ideas on how better accompany those who are. A full report is available in the PCCW display window in the back of church.
- **Monroe County March for Life** - There will be a float in the 4th of July parade and a booth at the fair. Contact Melanie Frei, Marti Hawver, Lorraine Riedl or Louise Urmanski if you are interested in doing a shift at the fair.

Committee Reports

- **Martha Group** –Group 2 is in need of a co-chair; if interested, contact Sue Murphy.
- **Guild Update** - St. Clare / St. Catherine is looking for new guild co-chairs. Please consider leading!
- **Church Cleaning Committee** – St. Andrew’s cleaning guidelines are completed, and the QA cleaning guidelines are being updated. Paula Calkins has donated microfiber a dust mop with reusable heads and micro fiber cleaning cloths for use in cleaning the church.

Old Business

- May Coffee Social- Attendance was: 4pm, 17; 8am, 44; 10am, 27
- Deacon Jon Burbach – A motion to provide Bridget Burbach \$500 to be used for Jon's deacon wardrobe as his ordination gift, passed: Rose Vanderbloemen, 2nd Natalie Halfman.
- Confirmation Reception – Approximately 45 people attended the reception from QA and surrounding parishes. The reception went well and compliments were made about the center piece Crosses purchased. They may be used for other occasions and are stored in the bride's room closet.
- Discussion on retaining funds in the new fiscal budget: we have met our obligations for charitable distributions and currently have enough for the new fiscal year. It was suggested that we curb major spending in fiscal year 2026-27 for lack of rummage sale profits. Tabled till next meeting.
- LCDCCW Convention – The LCDCCW Convention was held at Holy Family Church in Arcadia, WI. Father Kyle Laylan gave a tour of the renovations made in the church. Keynote speaker was Bishop Battersby. The Golden Rose Award recipient was a very articulate high school girl, selected from 12 nominees; her name will be submitted at the NCCW level. Jane Chizik, present Milwaukee Province Director, will become president of the NCCW in 2 years.
- The 2026-27 slate of officers was presented: co-president Carol Stevens, co-president Natalie Divyak, secretary Rose Vanderbloemen, treasurer Jackie Dwyer and unanimously accepted.

New Business

- A motion to purchase two stick vacuums (battery operated) for cleaning St. Mary's and St. Andrew's churches, not to exceed \$500, passed: Paula Calkins, 2nd RuthAnn Schober.
- A motion to recategorize the KC 4th Degree Dinner from an annual event to a fundraiser passed: RuthAnn Schober, 2nd Paula Calkins. This year's event will be held on Saturday, October 17th.
- A Catholic prayer rally, America Zeal America 250, is going to be at the La Crosse Center on Saturday, June 13 from 2-6 p.m. Speakers include Cardinal Raymond Burke, Joe Lombardi and Michael J. Knowles, and Daily Wires.

Future Events

- **June 6** Ordination of Jon Burbach to Deacon, St. Joseph Cathedral, La Crosse
- **June 7** Corpus Christi /Celebration of Deacon Jon Burbach luncheon, noon, QOA
- **June 13/14** Coffee Social after all Masses- STs. Bernadette/St. Cecilia
- **July 11/12** Coffee Social after all St. Mary's Masses-STs Francis/Veronica
- **Any time** Check out our PCCW on Facebook

Next Meeting – June 18, 4:00 p.m. Church Hall

Note: There will be no July meeting.

Prayer Intention

Let us pray for the Chippewa community, two young people died, one on a farm accident and one while fishing. Also let us pray for Deacon Jon Burbach and his family.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 pm: AnnaMae Rudolph; 2nd Natalie Halfman.