

Queen of the Apostles PCCW Meeting

November 20, 2025

The PCCW meeting was called to order with a prayer and the pledge by Co-President Carol Stevens at 4:01pm. Sixteen women were present.

The October minutes were approved with a correction: "August minutes" changed to "September minutes"; Anna Ledvina, 2nd Lorraine Riedl

It was brought to our attention that publication of this meeting was not included in the bulletin.

Correspondence

Thank-You note from the QA PTA for Halloween candy used in the Trunk or Treat event.

Thank-You note from Ruth Eirschele for her birthday card.

Treasurer's Report

The current balance is \$28,136.41. This report was filed for audit.

Commission Reports

- Service: Lorraine Riedl encouraged us to accompany those suffering in grief. Pray, be patient with yourself and the grieving person; listen and encourage. Holidays are difficult, especially for those grieving. Forming a Parish Grief Committee should be given consideration.

Committee Reports

- Church Cleaning: Paula Calkins has emailed current work schedules, requesting changes for 2026 from those cleaners. However, not all of them have received this email. Paula will be contacted.

Old Business

- Monica Haun reported that the Haun family served 25 at the KC 4th Degree dinner on Oct 20. Proceeds of \$575 were donated to the PCCW, and earmarked for student costs to the 2026 Steubenville Conference. Thank You to the Haun family!
- Natalie Divyak reported that the Deanery Fall Gathering was well attended by 19 QA parish women and 16 women from various Tomah deanery parishes. Fr. Sakowski elaborated on the *Rebuild My Church* concept, which included time of prayerful thought, and discussion. LCDCCW president Candace McGrath was also in attendance. The Spring Gathering will be held on Sat. May 2 at Holy Angels Parish, in Black River Falls. All are encouraged to come.
- Attendance at the November Coffee Socials was: 4pm, 9; 8am, 45; 10am, 21. Signage should be updated to read, "after all Masses".
- Deb Stott (St. Clare/Catherine) will attend the Family Life Committee meeting on Dec. 2 for updates on the Trivia Night event. From that she will determine whether another guild should be enlisted to help.
- There will be no Parish Fall Fest in 2025.

New Business

- A motion to donate \$1,200 to Project Milk passed: Lorraine Riedl; 2nd Anna Ledvina
- A motion to fund up to \$200 for the Christmas Gift Bag Project passed: Ruth Schober; 2nd Anna Mae Rudolph
- A request to supply QA classrooms with copies of "*The Story of All Stories*" and "*Past Watchful Dragons: Bible Stories Retold*" by Louise Urmanski was tabled till more information is gathered.

- Parishioners Scott Nicol and Oak Moser gave an update on the School Expansion Project. As pledges near the goal of building completion, furnishing the classrooms is the next focus. They want to reach out to former students of QA/St. Mary's School who no longer live in the area for financial help. A letter detailing the project was distributed, with the request that we pass them to out-of-town relatives/ former QA students for their consideration. Contact Scott (608-567-9034) or Oak (608-448-5010).
- Carol expressed Thanks to the QA Pinochle Club for donating the club's proceeds of \$416 to the PCCW. She acknowledged the club's origin as a fundraiser for St. Joan's Guild, which has endured for 52 years!
- In lieu of our PCCW Christmas Social, usually held at our Dec. meeting, members were encouraged to attend the Family Life Adoration/Caroling Event on Sun. Dec. 14 (1:45 – 4pm). Details will be placed in upcoming bulletins. There will be no PCCW December meeting. It was suggested that PCCW have a PCCW social for all parish women sometime in the Spring.
- New round tablecloths (25) have arrived; but discussion of the need for, and number of rectangular tablecloths resulted in having Carol continue her research.
- Monica Haun shared her new Christmas centerpiece creations (15), which will be used for events in the church hall during the season. Thank You, Monica!
- There will be no December meeting, per above details. Our next meeting will be January 15, 2026. There will be no February meeting unless the January meeting is cancelled due to inclement weather.

Future Events

- Dec. 3 Mission Dinner (5:30-7:30pm), St. Joan/Dorothy
- Dec.13,14 Coffee Social (after all Masses), St. Clare/Catherine
- Dec. 14 Family Life Adoration/Caroling (1:45- 4pm), St. Loretta/Monica
- Jan. 12 Community Table Dinner, St. Bernadette/Cecilia
- Jan. 23 Trivia Night, St. Clare/Catherine
- Feb. 22 OCIA Luncheon, St. Theresa/Rose

Prayer Intention

Let us pray for all those suffering with cancer.

Closing

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31pm: Anna Ledvina; 2nd Anna Mae Rudolph