

St. Elizabeth's Christian Mother's meeting minutes November 16, 2023

We began our meeting with a potluck social. During this social Lucy Zimmermann talked with us and had a slide presentation about her mission trip to Jamaica.

Cheryl Zimmermann called the meeting to order. We prayed Hail Mary as our opening prayer. Those in attendance were Cheryl and Lucy Zimmermann, Judy Hamers, Carolyn Altenhofen, Charlene Czeck, Dianne Gapinski, Michelle Buettner, Jan Helmin, Dorothy Montag, Yvonne Broda, and Eileen Wojciechowski.

The secretary's report was read. One correction was made, we originally had the date of this meeting as November 14, but decided to change it to 16th. Jan made a motion to approve the minutes and Caroline seconded the motion.

The treasurer's report was read. Eileen made a motion for Michelle to write out checks as needed in the coming month for Christmas gifts, etc., and Charlene seconded this motion. Caroline made a motion to approve the minutes and Jan seconded the motion.

Cheryl read a thank you note from Beth Bursch for our donation toward her mission trip.

OLD BUSINESS

No one at our meeting attended the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Fall Conference.

Cheryl lead the rosary by the grotto in Gilman on October 7th. About 24 people attend.

Box of Joy - 25+ boxes were collected and brought to Pierz by Liz Wojciechowski. Postage was \$144 for these, but this expense was covered by donations.

Pop was sold at the quilt bingo and raffle on October 15th, we profited about \$20.

We will make a meal for the Faith Formation program on April 10th. We will discuss this further at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Michelle will purchase a poinsettia plant for the Immaculate Conception Mass on December 7th.

We will have a mass said for our homebound parishioners in December. Cheryl Z will ask Cheryl Pick if she would be willing to mail out Christmas cards to these people. We went over our list and removed and added people as needed.

Michelle will pick up birthday cakes for Jesus to be handed out on December 25th at the 10 a.m. mass.

Joyce Fleck will take care of a baby shower for Jesus.

We decided to increase Fr. Matthew's Christmas gift from \$50 to \$100 this year.

Christian Mother's signed up for the January 14th fellowship after church. Bring a potluck dish to share and assist in serving/clean up.

We will need to make more baptismal bibs. Yvonne has the pattern. We will ask around for a volunteer to take on this task.

Carolyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Michelle seconded the motion. We closed with The Most Powerful Healing Prayer by St. Padre Pio.

Our next meeting will be February 20, 2024 after the 6 p.m. mass.

A white elephant gift exchanged followed this meeting.