**Minutes of the Guardian Angels Altar Society Meeting**

**July 16, 2024**

**Call to Order** – meeting was called to order by Susie Loulan at 6:31 p.m.

**Announcement of Quorum** – Quorum was met. There were 4 board members and 18 members present.

**Opening Prayer** – Father Chris said the opening prayer

**Approval of Minutes** – Diane Miller moved to approve the minutes from the May 21st meeting. It was seconded by Nancy Lukas. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Introduction of new members** - there were no new members at the meeting.

**Father Chris’s Report** – Father spoke about many topics – thanked all who helped at the 60th anniversary celebration, reported on the Foundation for Tomorrow progress, advised about the green painting of the church sections to match the pavillion and garage area, advised a plan for the feast day of Guardian Angels – October 2nd - a dinner with Angel hair pasta and Angel food cake – date to be decided, talked about the parish council plans for a pastoral plan, advised that the scholarship winner, Matt Luecke, will be recognized in an upcoming West Side Leader, advised he would like baking volunteers for the funeral committee and laundry volunteers to each wash 2 to 4 after events and advised that a few organizations want to use our basement and kitchen for meetings. He is also planning some outdoor Masses August 18 at 9 and 11 a.m.

**Secretary’s Report –** Kathy Gerrets read a thank you card from Christy Kaszubski for the Mass and prayers for herDad. The Altar Society scheduled a Mass for Paul Hoefle on October 20th at 9 a.m. The membership drive will start on August 1st. Members can join using the envelope in the mail, or online in the Give section of the website or using an envelope that will be in the rear of the church. There was a suggestion that in the future we offer a 3 or 5 year membership and the Executive Board will discuss and present ideas at the next general membership meeting. Kathy also reminded the group about the prayer group and how to access through the website or email the office.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Cheryl Fuhrer gave the report of the proposed budget for 2024-2025 and it was filed. Karen Wiatrowski moved to approve the report and Kathy Gerrets seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Committee Reports –**

**PICNIC –** Susie Loulan reported that there is still a need for more volunteers. Ed and Diane Miller will need at least 12 volunteers for food service. Father Chris advised he will put this in the bulletin too. There will be another picnic meeting prior to the actual day to finalize plans.

**BASKET RAFFLE** – Marcia Kusnyer and Kathy Gerrets reported that are over 30 baskets on the list. The deadline for bringing to church is Sunday, August 11th.

**SILENT AUCTION** – Susie Loulan reported that she will take over this committee. She has a few items already and some others will be coming.

**GOLF OUTING** - Father Chris reported that there were 13 groups signed up so room for a couple more. This is not a fundraiser – it is a fun outing for parishioners.

**DINNER AT CASA DEL RIO** – There will be a fundraiser for the Altar Society here in October. Probably Monday, October 14th. The date will be finalized and it will be in the bulletin and website.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS –**

**Change to By-laws –** this was sent out to the members prior to the meeting. Karen Wiatrowski moved to approve the changes and Diane Miller seconded. The updated By-laws are in the website.

**Change to Standing Policy for counting money** – this was also sent out to the members and discussed at the May meeting. Theresa Balogh moved to approve the motion and Cyndi Rossi seconded.

**NEW BUSINESS –**

There was no new business other than anything already reported here in this document.

**CLOSING PRAYER** – Father Chris said the closing prayer.

**ADJOURNMENT –** the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.