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

**March 19th, 2024**

**Meeting was called to order by Mary Cochran at 6:32 p. m.**

**Announcement of Quorum –** Quorum was met. There were 15 members present and 3 board members.

**Opening Prayer** – Opening prayer was said by Father Chris.

**Approval of minutes** – Karen Wiatrowski moved to approve the minutes from the January 16th meeting. It was seconded by Mary Kay Gurbis. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**Introduction of new members** – there were no new members present.

**Father Chris’s Report** – Father addressed many items: Foundation for Tomorrow - the parishioners can check the end of year contribution statements for the amount paid in 2023. Statements will be sent to anyone without an email eventually. Father also advised – a picture directory will be done sometime this year, the new bell system has been installed and will be playing seasonal music, new pews will be installed the week of April 1st. Weekday Mass will be in the basement during this time and the weekend Masses will have chairs brought up from the basement until the pews are in. Father pointed out some construction items such as the reinforced beams. Father had a meeting with other pastors discussing Catholic Education. They were all impressed by our new kitchen and gathering place. Father did a radio interview with parishioners from the Kepes family and it is available on the website. Father advised that there is an anniversary committee discussing some types of celebrations to come. He also wants to have a celebratory mixer for all the volunteers who help out with any of the events during the year – date might be set as April 20 at 10 a.m. – Father will announce after Easter. Father also advised the winner of the Scholarship will be announced soon.

**Secretaries Report** – Kathy Gerrets reported no new correspondence was received. Kathy has access to the church website to put any announcements needed by committee chairpeople.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Tom Cochran gave the report and it was filed.

**Committee Updates:**

**Lenten Supper Report** – Kathy Gerrets reported about 75 people attended including the 15 volunteers. A big thank you to the volunteers who did a great job making the sandwiches, cooking and serving. Special thanks to the soup makers – Cheryl Fuhrer, Karen Hanna and Joyce Krusinski. Father said he would like to have two suppers next year – one to be a pasta dinner. We received $95 in donations.

**Candy Sale Report** – Chris Wittkopp gave the report and it was filed. There were less orders but more profit due to the higher percent of profit – 50% vs 35% last year. Waggoner Chocolates is based in North Canton and run by Harry London’s grandson. The profit total was $1767.32.

**New Business:**

**Bishop’s Mass in June –** to be at the 11 a.m. Mass on June 23rd .

**Review of Coffee and Donuts** – Cheryl Fuhrer reported the next coffee and donuts would be in April but Father advised that the 7th grade PSR students will be sponsoring this one.

**Adoration Days** – reminder that no adoration day on Holy Thursday – there will be reminders in the bulletin for the other days

**Parish Picnic** – Mary Cochran reminded that over half of our budget comes from the picnic

**NOMINATIONS OF OFFICERS** – We received one nomination for each Board position so it was decided to cancel the April meeting for voting and hold the vote at this meeting. The following individuals were elected – Susie Loulan – President, Karen Wiatrowski – Vice President, Cheryl Fuhrer – Treasurer, Kathy Gerrets – Secretary. The new Board will take over at the May meeting.

Next General Membership meeting will be May 21st, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

**Closing Prayer –** the closing prayer was said by Father Chris

**Adjournment** – the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.