Respect Life Commission

RLC Account Balance: 8/24/25

Beginning balance: **$1,585.88**

Expense 0

Current Balance: **$1,585.88**

**Next Meeting: 9:00 a.m. following 8:00 mass –**

Meeting Minutes from 8/24/25

The meeting opened with prayer

Minutes:

**St. Mary RLC baby shower for Guadalupe Partners in Detroit**

* Weekend of Sept 13-14
* Anne asked for information to be shared in the bulletin of specific items needed
* Anne ordered prayer cards. Please help pass them out after whichever mass you are attending that weekend

**365 days for Life campaign (ongoing)**

**40 Days for Life Campaign – begins Sunday, September 21 with a Jericho March. Father Franklin from the SLC will be the keynote speaker. Prayer warriors begin praying on Wednesday, September 24 and conclude on Sunday, November 2. Sign up at** [**plan2pray@gmail.com**](mailto:plan2pray@gmail.com)

* **Jericho March each Sunday starting on the 21st at 2 p.m.**
* **No Life Chain in Oct this year**
* **Pro-life mass, holy hour & Marian Procession on Saturday, Oct 11 at St. Francis of Assisi. Mass starts at 10:00 a.m.**
* **Thursday, October 23 from noon until 1:00 p.m. at 3131 Professional Dr a former abortionist, Dr. Haywood Robinson will speak. He is now the Director of Medical Affairs and Education for 40 Days for Life**

**Michigan March for Life on Thursday, Nov 6 at the Michigan State Capitol**

* 10:00 a.m. Pre-rally concert
* 11:00 a.m. Rally
* 12:00 p.m. Michigan March for Life
* Could probably get a coach bus to stop for pick up at St. Mary as they did 2 years ago. Please let me know if you or someone you know might want to coordinate this with Heather Koch, President, Washtenaw Area Right to Life. We might be able to get a good group to go, if we could get a ride.

**Holy Innocents Columbarium Memorial Project – (In Process)**

* 2 pads poured, invoice paid
* Columbarium is in process of having etchings of Jesus and children on each end with the verse, “Let the Children come to me” in lieu of a statue. Etching donated by Staffan-Mitchell
* Brick pavers (same as at the St. Peter and St. Paul parish columbariums) are set to be installed at the end of September; 50% of $14,120 has been paid
* Pray about how we can have recognition presented at the memorial (in honor/memory of). Deacon Wayne brought up the possibility of a post with a medallion on top. It would go next to the memorial, not on it.
* Cash on hand (in our account) after paying for brick pavers in full, $11,059. This does not include paying for monies earmarked for the bench
* Pray about having a blessing in October while the weather still permits. Deacon Wayne is coordinating this. We’ll have to decide on a date, so we can invite the parish.

**Continued discussion on Euthanasia**

* Deacon Tom is working on an End of Life as a Catholic Event at St. Mary. Should we co-sponsor it? Please ask Deacon Tom about it, if you see him, so we can gather more information.

**Other**

* There is a program called **Beloved Revolution –** it teaches girls that it is good to be a girl. Maybe we could host this event for our parish in these days when our children are so confused by what the culture tells them.

**Information Items:**

* Prayers for Keith’s wife, Pat, who is suffering from serious heart issues. Prayers for the Holy Spirit to lead and guide them through all the decisions that need to be made.
* Jeff Sangster (man with big family who wrote pro-life book we supported) who has cancer. Prayers for him and his family. There will be an upcoming fundraiser for him. Anne will find the information for the event for those interested.
* A great book on mystics in how to deepen your faith recommended by Deacon Wayne. The author is Ralph Martin, The Fulfillment of All Desire.

**Next meeting is in question due to Alan’s and my being out of town both September 21 and 28.**