Our Lady of Grace Large Altar Society

Meeting Minutes

September 2nd, 2025 @ 7:30pm

<u>Opening Prayer</u>: Deacon Mohn installation of new officers. President Amy Bergrude, Treasurer Beth Ruelle and Secretary Laura Miller.

Roll Call: St. Bridget (1), St. Frances (0), St. Louise (5), St. Monica (5) and St. Veronica (1)

Welcome to Joan Dunkel to St. Louise's group

<u>Secretary's Report</u>: Thank you note received from family of Betty Martin for kindness and service during luncheon served by St. Veronica Group. Robbi Jo Morgan, Rochelle Foltz and Melissa Mitchell were specifically mentioned.

Motion made by Garnetta S. Seconded by Bernie Hager

<u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Sue Westin out going treasurer reviewed print out of treasures report. March 1^{st} – August 31^{st} 2025 - \$4,297.77

Sue assisting incoming treasurer Beth Ruelle with making transition. Sue spoke with Father Adam Maus regarding difficulty in current checking accounting and ability to check balance. After speaking with Father Adam Maus a change was suggested to have a Cash Account. If current account is closed this would roll into churches balance which would eliminate checking account but still have the ability to donate moneys.

After each funeral give receipts to Sharon Pearson and Beth Ruelle.

Request for donations is found in the Church office Sue Westin motioned to close out checking account and move into Church account so we have the ability to donate to non-profits and seconded by Emily Heib. Approved by Amy Bergrude and all members in attendance.

Old Business:

Funerals and Lunches serviced at OLG May – August

- May 6th Regina Raub St. Monica, planned for 75 served 48
- May 7th Anton Bartsch St. Louise, planned for 200 served 180
- May 8th Geraldine Novak St. Bridget, planned for 225 served 228
- May 13th Leo Jundt St. Monica, planned for 150 served 143
- May 14th Kathleen Foltz St. Frances, planned for 75 served 74
- May 16th Brock Savelkoul no lunch

- May 30th Elise Rodriguez St. Bridget, planned for 50 served ??
- May 31st Dale Henry St. Frances, planned for 150 served 124
- June 13th Betty Martin St. Veronica, planned for 175 served 149
- July 11th Myrna Kircher St. Veronica, planned for 160 served 149
- July 26th Donald Murphy St. Veronica, planned for 150 served 150
- August 7th Duane Biewer St. Monica, planned for 125 served 118
- August 18th Gloria Jundt St. Bridget, planned for 125 served 117
- August 27th Elvera Petz St. Louise, planned for 125 served 118
- August 30th Alice Bachmeier St. Monica, planned for 200 serviced 185
- Next circle is St. Frances and they will do the funeral for Tom Lemar on September 9th.

Scholarship Recipients:

3 Scholarship recipients received \$500.00 each. Recipients were:

- Myla Hieb Member OLG
- Liam Finley Member OLG
- Quinn Hulm Member OLG
- Brent Westin scholarship went to Liam Hulm Member OLG.

New Business:

Installation of new officers by Deacon Mohn

- Treasurer Beth Ruelle. This position is elected in even-numbered years. The nominating committee for 2026 is St. Veronica
- Secretary Laura Miller. This position is elected in odd-numbered years.
- President Amy Bergrude. Will serve one year and then one year as past President.

Luanne Duchsherer requests financial assistance for baptismal blankets. Luanne makes 70 baptism blankets per year. She was able to get a discount on materials from Joan Fabrics prior to store closing. She currently gets fabric from Hobby Lobby and uses 40% coupon every other week. The cost is \$750.00/ year out of her pocket to make blankets. It was decided to donate \$300.00 to Luann Duchsherer. It was discussed that maybe parish can match us for the rest and bring back to next meeting. Beth Ruelle will visit Sharon Pearson. Motioned by Marietta Clemens and seconded by Mary L.

September Events:

No parish picnic due to construction.

It was discussed to have the leaders of each circle verify their members and bring updated list for the next meeting in October. Nicole Merck typed up letter to put into bulletins. Amy Bergrude reviewed letter. Amy will visit with Father Maus about the potential email members.

Confirmation Reception is September 28th after 10:30am Mass. St. Monica's group is scheduled to serve fellowship. Coffee will be made prior from fellowship. Two people are needed to serve cake. Amy Bergrude can help and St. Monica's will call for another server.

A check was made out to the Altar Society for \$200.00 above the cost of services from the family (Kim Cartier member) of Elvera Petz. Funeral was August 27th 2025.

Next meeting: Tuesday October 7th at 7:30pm