

SODALITY EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 18, 2019

Present: Helen B, Lee M, Kathy K, Maureen W, Judith S, Tracy M, Patty B, Ellen L, Colleen H, Liz S, Gail Q, and Debbie R.

I. Opening: 7:30 PM

- A. President Helen B. led the board in praying the *Hail Mary*.
- B. Maureen W. moved that the minutes of the May 2019 executive board meeting be approved. Tracy M. seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved without objection.

II. Old Business

- A. Sodality 2019-2020 contact list update-- Kathy K. updated her email and Debbie R. updated her phone number.
- B. Sodality Directory update—Patty B. has almost completed the current version of the directory. Waiting for some units' updates.
- C. Sodality tithe donated to parish for 2018-2019--\$3900.00. Unsure of what is to be used for yet.
- D. Fashion Show update—Nan V and Celestine K have volunteered to co-chair the fashion show.
- E. Sodality Retreat planning—Kate B. and Helen B. met with Fr. Giese in July and it was decided that the Sodality should host a retreat for Sodalists. A small retreat committee will be established to find a venue, facilitator and a date. Fr. Giese would like Sodality to reach out to more women. He suggested that Sodalists should sit together at Sodality Masses and that the Sodality prayer should be revised.
- F. Farewell gifts for Fr. Burney and Fr. Venditti—The Sodality gave Fr. Burney a \$200 gift card and Fr. Venditti a \$100 gift card on the occasion of their reassignments. The Sodality provided a cake for Fr. Burney's reception. A thank you note was received from Fr. Burney and was circulated to the board.

III. New Business

- A. Sodality outreach to parish school mothers—Kate B. and Tracy M. attended the opening HSA meeting of the school year. They spoke about Sodality and distributed info papers to interested women. It was noted that not many Junior Sodalists’ mothers are involved with Sodality. Suggestions were made for a morning car pool coffee and an extended day outreach. It was also suggested that a backpack flyer might be useful. Tracy M. volunteered to investigate a morning car pool reach out and to facilitate inclusion of the Sodality lasagna dinner announcement on the school listserv.
- B. October 2nd Mass and General Meeting.
1. Food Drive plans—We will be collecting non-perishable food items at the lasagna dinner to donate to Sacred Heart parish.
 2. Certified Food Manager—Maureen W. Checking on a certified Bar tender.
 3. Catering Decisions-- Mamma Lucia for lasagnas: 2 meat, 1 veggie, 1 gluten- free, garlic bread, Caesar salad and regular salad.
 Paper goods—Liz S. is checking the Sodality closet to inventory what we have on hand; Helen B. will obtain needed items.
 Wine—Lee M. and Helen B.
 Water and Soda—Kathy K.
 Ice—Patty B.
 Dessert—Ellen L.
 Centerpieces—From closet.
 4. Solicitation of volunteers for Sodality events—chairs will speak and sign-up lists will be available.
 5. Volunteers for Set-up and Clean-up—Set-up: Helen B, Colleen H, Tracy M. Ellen L and Maureen W. Clean-up: Judith S, Liz S, Colleen H and Kathy K.
 6. Sodality Mass Assignments:
 Altar set-up: Nan V.
 Medals/prayer cards: Kate B.
 Altar servers: Tracy M’s daughter and/or Kate B’s children.
 Organist: Bobby (for all Masses)
 Cantor: Mary Margaret M.
 Lector: Gail Q.
 Gift bearers: Patty B. and Judith S.
 Eucharistic Ministers: Maureen W. and Helen B.
- C. October 27th Communion Breakfast
1. Speaker: Dr. Colleen Hadigan. The topic will be: “Journey in Motherhood”.

2. Catering decisions: Balducci's will be used for the food. The cost per ticket will be \$25.
3. Bulletin notice: Helen B. and Kate B. will submit.
4. RSVP's: Faith Direct will be available.
5. Volunteers for Event: Volunteers will be solicited at the next executive board meeting. Maureen W. has volunteered to do the centerpieces.

D. October Sodality assignments:

Sunday Sodality Mass 10/6: John Neumann Unit

Sodality Union Meeting 10/5: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Bulletin Announcement: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

- E. Bequest to Sodality—Mary Faye left \$2500.00 in her will to Sodality. A thank you note was sent to her daughter, Shannon H, and we will also send a Mass card for Mary to Shannon.

IV. A. Prefect—Not present

B. Treasurer--\$37,490.89 as of August

C. Units:

1. Christ Child—Gail Q: They met for lunch in June and the first meeting is tomorrow. They will collect dues. They have received many prayer requests.
2. John Neumann--Judith S: The unit's charitable project for their first meeting this year was the Fisher House. Money and goods were collected. They have organized for the year. Mary H. reported on upcoming Pro Life activities. Mary Anne R. reported that there is no point person for Eucharistic ministers for the homebound at this moment. Joan W. donated a much-needed card table to Sodality for its activities.
3. Regina Coeli—Maureen W: The unit has 23 active members and met last week to organize for the year. For the Giving Tree, it was suggested that parishioners take a photo of the gift tag to be assured that each gift has a gift tag associated with it. The Christmas craft will be organized by Karen A. On 12/7 Maureen W. has organized a Christmas Tea at Maplewood. All Catholic women are invited. The unit will again organize the parish Anniversary Brunch.
4. St. Monica—Tracy M: The unit will be meeting soon and collecting dues. They have organized 2 dates for the DC diaper bank and plan to serve a meal this year at the University of Maryland Catholic Student Center. They are organizing meals and rides for Eileen D. post hip replacement. The unit has gained one new member and welcomed back an old member.

5. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton—Liz S: The school supplies drive for the Sacred Heart CCD program was successful and the parish was very pleased. The unit is hosting a farewell for Amanda R. The unit will write in the bulletin for October.
6. Associates—Ellen L: The dues have been set. The unit is waiting to hear from Fr. Giese concerning his preference for the use of their donation this year.
7. Junior Sodality—Debbie R: The first meeting will be 10/5/19. Assistance at the Lasagna dinner will be solicited. They plan to collect Halloween candy to send to our troops as a Veteran's Day tribute. In December the unit will have a Christmas sing along at Maplewood.

V. Closing Prayer

The board ended the meeting by praying the *Memorare*. 9:10 PM