

MINUTES
OCTOBER 20, 2016 CWO MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Mary Giammalvo and opened with the CWO prayer.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Giammalvo, President; Brendalee Dworak, VP; Karen Brons, Secretary; Carolyn Clements; Pam Guderian; Aggie King; Jenny McDaniel; Sandy Pavlick; Cindy Smith; Debbie Thompson; and Teresa Ward.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Karen Brons asked everyone to review the minutes for any changes or to make a motion to pass as written. Motion made by Jenny McDaniel to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Brendalee Dworak.

TREASURER'S REPORT: – Since the Treasurer, Sally Waechter, was in Rome, no update was given. The previous balance of \$1,648.27 is still current.

OLD BUSINESS

Pro-Life Rally and Right-to-Life Events

- Mary Giammalvo discussed the recent pro-life rally held on October 2 on Woodruff Road in Greenville. Those in attendance included committee chairs: Gloria & Joe Weidemann, Sally & George Waechter, and Mary & Vincent Giammalvo. Pro-life signs were held for passersby to see/read, as well as individual participant prayers and rosaries were said during this event.
- Secondly, Mary encouraged members to participate in the Rosaries for Life running through November 8. A basket in the Narthex has slips of paper for participators to write down their Rosaries for the Unborn. Mary challenged all members to say at least one rosary by November 8 for the Unborn.
- In addition, Mary asked for volunteers to schedule some time to participate on Wednesdays as a Right-To-Life Prayer Warrior at the Greenville Women's Clinic on Grover Road. It was suggested that two to three go together for support. During the meeting, several ladies made plans to participate in this prayer rally.

Care & Bereavement Committee

- Everyone was made aware of the passing of Sally Callegari. Aggie King discussed that Steve would be going to two locations for services and the possibility of a memorial service for Sally at St. Luke's was unknown. Aggie reserved Sunday, November 6, for a Mass intention for Sally; she agreed to let that Mass be sponsored by the CWO. Money was collected for a contribution for the Mass intention. Karen Brons will request the choir to sing "Be Not Afraid", a favorite of Sally's, at this Mass. In addition, a card was signed by present CWO members and was given to Jenny McDaniel, along with a Serenity Prayer plaque, to take to Steve upon his return home.
- Debbie Thompson gave an update on her husband, John. Though he is better, he still could use visitors. John will still be out of work until November 8.
- There was no update on Dorothy Mitchiner's husband. Mary Giammalvo will check on the progress.

- Charlene Hirsch will be going to California to be with family while she undergoes treatments. It was suggested that we obtain the address where she is at so that we can send her cards of encouragement.

Angel Tree

- Cindy Smith gave an update on Helping Hands. The previous director, Dewey, is no longer there. Cindy talked to the new director and she has okayed it for the CWO to take a tour of the facility. Interested members discussed going to the new Helping Hands facility on Friday, November 4, at 10:30 am.

Tens for Turkeys

- Mary Giammalvo indicated that Father Jim has approved the collection of monies for Catholic Outreach this year. Since Catholic Outreach is only open for a short time the week of Thanksgiving, no turkeys will be handed out. Discussion was opened on how to collect donations. After a motion from BrendaLee Dworak and a second from Aggie King, it was decided to pass out donation envelopes at the end of the Masses on Saturday, October 29, and Sunday, October 30. The envelopes will indicate that they should be placed in the collection basket by Sunday, November 13. Karen Brons will take care of getting the envelopes ready for distribution. Several members volunteered to pass out the envelopes at the October 29 & 30 Masses.

Poinsettia Sales

- Mary Giammalvo indicated that Father Jim has approved the Poinsettia Sales fundraiser. As indicated, there can be only one fundraiser per parish function. The CWO will support the Youth Group.

President's Meeting

- Mary Giammalvo met with Father Jim on October 6. During that meeting, he approved the Angel Tree, Tens for Turkeys (monetary collection), and the Poinsettia Sales.

Parish Mission

- Pam Guderian discussed the needs for the parish mission beginning on Sunday evening, October 23 and continuing on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings. A signup sheet was distributed for snacks. Pam did indicate that there may be plenty of snacks left over from previous nights and she will keep volunteer apprised of needs.

Feast Day

- Nancy Mawhinney sent word that the Feast Day was a success. Those who participated indicated that the food was awesome.

NEW BUSINESS

Christmas Bazaar

- After a general discussion from the group, it was decided that the CWO would not host the breakfast at the bazaar.
- Karen Brons asked if the CWO wanted to participate in the bazaar by getting a booth and selling baked goods. It was a general consensus that the CWO would not participate. A motion was made not to participate by Jenny McDaniel; seconded by Sandy Pavlick.

Special Events/Programs

- Aggie King research the possibility of the CWO going to the Bob Jones Art Museum as an CWO outing. The Museum is open Tuesday thru Saturday from 2 pm to 5 pm. The cost is \$7 per person. It was decided that a group would go on Saturday, December 3. Plans were made to meet at St. Luke's at 11 am and first go to the Mekong Vietnamese Restaurant, which is located close to the Museum, for lunch and then head over to the Museum. Any interested parties contact Aggie King at aggierm@gmail.com or 864-855-0168.
- Mary Giammalvo discussed the upcoming candlelight vigil on Saturday, November 5 at 7:30 pm and the Greenville Women's Clinic. Bishop Guglielmone will be present to recite the Rosary.

CWO Mission Statement

- Mary Giammalvo asked members to consider three questions about the CWO: What do you see as the main function of the CWO? What significant impact does the CWO have on our parish life? What would we need to do or change to have more women become active members?
- Also, Mary asked if we should distribute a survey to the parish community regarding these questions.
- Due to time constraints, Mary suggested that we table this discussion until the next meeting. That would also give members time for think and bring back any thoughts on the CWO mission.

Suggestions for Special Meeting Topics

- Karen Brons discussed the following suggestions for special meetings: Baby Shower for Birthright (April 2017); an uplifting mini Women's Ministry; and inviting Father Jim to a meeting. Since no formal motions were made, any further plans are to be discussed at the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20 at 6 PM