

**Mary & Martha (M & M's) Meeting Minutes
(April 21, 2022)**

Attendance: Dawn Sundly, Joleen Pierce, Haylee Goulet, Liz Yerks, Teresa Peterson

Opening Prayer: Liz led us in prayer

Approval of Minutes: Minutes approved

Treasurer Report: Joleen gave the treasurer's report in Shawn's absence.

Ending balance for February, 2022: \$2736.06

Ending balance for March, 2022: \$2736.06

March 29, check written for \$250 to St. Gregory's for the end of year Faith Formation barbeque

Deposit of \$232.41 from Easter basket sales including \$20 cash from Patrice Zangs

Rosary & rosary case purchase update: Mary Felix, the parish bookkeeper has contacted Shawn and is aware that the M&M's will reimburse the parish account for the purchase of the rosaries and cases. Once she receives the credit card statement that should reflect the credit for the tax part of the bill, the M&M's will submit a reimbursement check to the parish.

Easter Basket Sales:

Saturday, April 9 sales: \$56

Sunday, April 10 sales: \$156.41

Total Easter basket sales: \$213.41

Senior Scholarship Application & letter has not yet been sent. There was some discussion of the wording of the letter and of the scholarship requirements. The scholarship is for \$750 and will go to a senior who is active in the parish. We discussed letting high school sophomores know of our scholarship ahead of time so that they can be prepared. Scholarships are due May 26 and M&M's will review the applications for eligibility on May 31. Joleen volunteered to assist Shawn in mailing the letters/applications to high school seniors registered in the parish. Scholarship winner will be chosen on June 12.

Options for Women Baby Shower: We agree to continue our support of Options for Women with the baby shower that will be held throughout the month of May. Joleen read a note from Betty Mitchell that included items most needed for the center. These included:

sippy cups

kid size hangers

3-6 mo. Boys summer clothes

6-9 mo. Boys summer clothes

18 month girls summer clothes

size 4 huggies diapers

(Betty later clarified that clothing can be slightly used)

Haylee volunteered to make a ½ sheet flyer to be stuffed in bulletin or passed out the weekend of May 7-8.

Annual Calendar/Ways to Expand Group:

Our annual events will be included on the calendar: Craft and Bake Sale, Crockpot Supper, Prayer Partner Ministry, Easter Basket Sale, Options for Women baby shower. A speaker could be added if funds allow. Calendars probably would be handed out at the summer ice cream social.

We had some discussion and brainstorming on the above topics which overlapped each other. Some of the ideas suggested were: sell dessert at Knights of Columbus bingo; involvement with other Catholic churches to brainstorm what works, what doesn't; collaborating with other North Branch churches; craft table for kids at our craft sale when Santa & Mrs. Claus visit; involving high school students in a project and mentoring them; bring a friend to our M&M meeting; letter to all women of the parish; hold a dinner/luncheon/tea.

Future Agenda Items: Farewell to Father, review day/time of meetings, brainstorm 2022 calendar ideas, brainstorm ways to expand.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 19, 2022 4:00pm in social hall

Opening prayer next meeting: Teresa

Closing Prayer: We closed with a Hail Mary

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