

OUR LADY OF LOURDES WOMEN'S GUILD GENERAL MEETING May 7, 2018

The General meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM in Madonna Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes Church by President, Amy Peterson. The Guild Prayer was led by Fr. David Ostler and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Amy Peterson

PASTOR'S COMMENTS: Fr. David expressed his appreciation for all that the Guild has done for the parish both recently and over the years. He stated that almost everything that is beautiful in the church has come from the Women's Guild. He said the parish will always be indebted to the Guild Members, and that members should be very proud of all that the Guild has accomplished.

He thanked the Guild for its recent \$20,000 contribution which has been used to renovate and furnish the new parish library and a meeting room in St. Michael's Hall at Prince of Peace Church.

Fr. David stated that over 4 million dollars have been spent on renovations since he came to OLL Parish and that work is nearly at an end. There are only three big projects still to come, replacing the floors at Madonna Hall and St. Michael's Hall and converting to LED lights throughout both church campuses.

He said that he is telling the Guild this because he wants the Guild to know how the money that has been donated to the parish is being spent. As the parish's current needs are being met, he made suggestions about future contributions and projects the Guild might consider.:

GUILD PRAYER LIST: Shirley McGarrigle read the Guild prayer list and led the Lord's Prayer and Hail Mary.

MINUTES: The minutes of the April 9, 2018 General Meeting were approved as published.

CORRESPONDENCE: Assistant Secretary, Carol Byrne read a thank-you note from St. Vincent de Paul Our Lady of Lourdes Conference thanking the Guild for the plaques and banners.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kay Coffey presented her report which was accepted and filed.

Kay noted that the profit from the recent Shred-a-thon yielded enough to fund the \$500.00 donation in food to each of the three valley food banks which is scheduled to be completed during the summer months (\$1,500.00 total).

Amy Peterson thanked Kay for four years of service on the Guild Board, first as Assistant Treasurer and then as Treasurer, and wished Kay well in her future endeavors.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

BAZAAR: Grace Mahoney and Christa Scott reported that all plans are going well for the bazaar which is scheduled for October 18, 19 and 20th from 8 AM to 2 PM each day. The committee is in need of merchandise donations.

PUBLICITY: Rosemary Dougherty reported that the Guild meetings are being published and the bazaar publicity is in the bulletin weekly.

MEMBERSHIP: JoAnn Lepkowski and Elsie Thornton announced that there are 79 members present and five members were given \$5.00 Fry's gift certificates.

TRAVEL: Myra Litscher announced that there are two trips scheduled for fall. On September 28, members will car pool to Benevilla for a tour followed by lunch at Bert's Bistro at a cost of \$15.00 each. On December 13, a bus trip to Barleen's Arizona Opry for lunch and the Christmas Variety show is planned at a cost of \$73.00. Signup sheets will be available at the September General meeting.

WELCOME/HISTORIAN: Denise Maleszewski introduced new member, Mary Cerny. Denise welcomed Rita Miller who will assist Denise with keeping the history book for the Guild.

KITCHEN: Amy Peterson thanked Marilyn Zenz for all of her work in setting up the food and goodies for meetings this past year.

HATS FOR THE HOMELESS: Millie Perro asked if someone else would like to take over this project. She has both knit and crochet patterns available, but any hat pattern can be used for hats and scarfs for the homeless.

LAP ROBES: Rita Miller has one lap robe to deliver, but will wait for a few more before scheduling a delivery.

BOOK CLUB/SUNSHINE: Betty Stone reported that "All the Light We Cannot See" will be reviewed on Thursday, May 10 in room 1 at POP. The next book review will be on July 12 and will be led by Cookie Wisdom. Betty also announced that two cards have been sent to Carmella Gorga who is in need of prayers.

WEBSITE: Rosemary Dougherty reported that the Website is current with 2018 minutes and photos.

PHONE TREE: Margie Favia apologized for the quality of a recent message. The Guild's phone tree is old and needs a new mouthpiece. The problem is

being addressed and all members that have 623 exchanges should be receiving messages. Messages are also sent out by email on the Flocknote system.

PRESIDENT'S GIFT: Mary Ann Anthony presented Amy Peterson with the annual President's Gift from the Guild and thanked her for stepping up to be President late last fall. Amy handed the check to Kay Coffey and requested her gift be donated to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

SHRED-A-THON: Rosemary Dougherty thanked all those who helped make the Shred-a-thon so successful. She noted that the SCW Posse members facilitated traffic flow and members of Life Teen helped people to unload their boxes. Two more Shred-a-thons are scheduled for November 2018 and April 2019.

NEW BUSINESS:

TREASURER APPOINTMENT: Amy Peterson announced the resignation of Melinda Erickson as Treasurer. Rosemary Dougherty moved that Irene Zawicki be appointed Treasurer of Our Lady of Lourdes Women's Guild for 2018-2019. Motion carried.

2018-2019 GUILD CALENDAR: Margie Favia presented the Guild events planned for the coming year:

- Guild Bazaar and Raffle - October 18, 19 and 20, 2018
- Shred-a-thon – November 10, 2018 at OLL
- Christmas Party – December 3, 2018 at Briarwood
- International Luncheon – January 2019
- Sweetie/Sweetheart Dinner Dance – February 14, 2019
- Shred-a-thon – April 6, 2019 at POP
- Fashion Show – April 13, 2019 at Briarwood

Margie stated that Board Members are forming planning committees for these events. The possibility of a Wine and Cheese Vegas night for 2020 is being investigated. She said that 2018-2019 will be a busy and but highly productive year. Carol Byrne described the new Sweetie/Sweetheart Dinner Dance and asked for volunteers to participate on the committee.

50/50 DRAWING: A drawing was held for nine \$5.00 cash prizes.

BIRTHDAYS: May, June, July and August birthdays were celebrated for fourteen members.

INSTALLATION OF 2018-2019 GUILD OFFICERS: Barbara Horton installed the following OLL Women's Guild Officers using the Beatitudes of Guild Officers based on the Guild ByLaws:

President	Margie Favia
1 st Vice President	Mary Ann Anthony
2 nd Vice President	Gwen Diebold
Assistant Secretary	Carol Byrne
Assistant Treasurer	Linda Osgood

Mary Fox, Secretary, and Irene Zawicki, Treasurer (absent due to travel) will be installed in September.

Immediate Past President, Amy Peterson handed the gavel to new President, Margie Favia.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM

Carol Byrne, Assistant Secretary

PROGRAM: A movie featuring the life of Fr. Michael McGivney founder of the Knights of Columbus was shown, followed by a bag lunch, an ice-cream treat, and cards and games.