**SJTW Women’s Group**

**Minutes**

**June 25, 2022**

**Members present:** fourteen

**Opening prayer:** Barbara Callan

**Minutes from May 21, 2022, meeting:** Marlene Olako

Minutes were approved and archived.

**Finance Report:** Karen Morgan, Treasurer

Check written to Marlene Olako for reimbursement of three rolls of plastic table coverings. Account balance not displayed on website.

**Old Business**

* Supplies have been purchased for Fr Julius’ Ordination. Plastic table coverings and large paper napkins. Tent reserved and cake ordered. Numbers and holders for tables, reserved signs, small dessert plates - paid by donation. 10 x 20 tent for caterer (paid by donation) numerous other small items donated.
* Barbara has contacted Arlene Webb, from Chattanooga, a speaker for a prospective program for the women in our parish. She is has agreed to speak. Time and date to be determined. This project has gone to our activities committee for consideration and planning.
* Report of Parish Welcome Committee from Mary Beavers: First meeting was to organize and appoint subcommittees. Second meeting was to build and support the “Welcome Committee”. It was suggested that we update and replace the SJTW sign in the front of the church with a larger one. They would also like to have new members receive a packet of tokens. Barbara reminded that we have Parish cookbooks to give to new parishioners. We will need a phone committee and publicity committee. Carole Sumner from Parish Council is the Liaison.
* Report on the celebration preparations: Attendance numbers over well over one hundred thus far. We will need an outside tent for overflow of attendees. We will need at least five volunteer servers from the youth group. There will be two beverage stations – one in the hall and one in the large tent. Plans and details move forward. Please sign up to help cover tables and set up hall; arrive between 8:30-9:00 AM on Saturday July 16th.
  + All chairs will need to be cleaned (two hundred)- please sign up to help -week before event
  + We still need a few vases for our centerpieces for each table. Carolyn Chase looking for garden flowers for our centerpieces; please bring flowers on Friday the 15th between 2:00 and 3:00 PM or Saturday morning before 10:00 AM. Sign up to help arrange flowers Saturday morning.
  + We need help during the event and after the event; let Barbara know if you can help.
  + Joyce Jenkins (of “Just Joyce”) has graciously offered to sing and play guitar during the event.
  + Father will cut his anniversary cake which will serve as dessert.
  + Other than our work to provide this celebration event for Father, we are giving him a lovely tree of prayers with prayer gift tags from parishioners. The tree will be displayed in the hall.
  + We will have a program after dinner where the Women’s group will present the tree to Father, The Knights will present a plaque to Father to commemorate his anniversary, some guest may speak, the Bishop will speak as well as Father Julius himself.

**New Business**

* Candlelight Tea will be at the end of November before Advent. We will have eight six-foot tables for our guests and need hosts for each table (suggest two or three women join to host a table). It is a lovely event and hosting a table for your guests is an enjoyable experience. Please consider hosting a table so that we can proceed with this event.
* Marion Coker reminded all that the Rosary is said every Thursday evening at 7:00 at the Grotto.

**Meeting adjourned:** 12: 10 PM

**Closing prayer**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Marlene Olaka, Secretary**