**St. Peter Catholic Church**

**Amazing Women’s Guild**

**September 8, 2023**

**OPENING PRAYER –** Kris opened the meeting with the opening prayer and then welcomed everyone to the September meeting (the first meeting after the summer break) and any new members attending for the first time (Sabrina).

**THANK YOU –** To the board and members who provided the food for the meeting. Since **Father Gregory** was a no-show at this time **Kris** began the meeting

**BUSINESS MEETING:**

1. **Thank Yours:** It’s been a busy summer! Thank you to all who supported the **Parish Picnic, Martha’s Ministry** and the other ministries that continued over the summer. **Barb Caughlin** for the final coordination to get the **AED in the PMC**, and to **Doug and Rick** for putting it up (located on the wall to the left of the main door); **Debbie** for working to set up AED training for us; **Marsha** for stepping into the **Parish Meals Ministry** coordination. **Katherine Pietsch** Said the picnic at the Mining Museum was a huge success (other than the wind that did stop just in time) and thanked **Kris** for all the work she did. **Debbie** said training was being set up for the **AED training** and she will let everyone know when they can sign up for the class when it gets scheduled.

Since Father was still a no-show, Kris led us in our meal prayer and we all got our food.

1. **Treasurer update: Joan O-Shea** with current funds available and recent checks distributed. **Joan** was not at the meeting and the budget committee (Harriet, Rita and Barb C.) are working on the budget updates so we will have more of this at the next meeting.

Please don’t forget that requests for up to $100 can be approved by the board, but anything more is voted on at a meeting. Also, the ministries that are listed on the Guild’s schedule and program are always supported by the casserole and bake sale and do not have to submit a request.

1. **Reminders: Empty Bowl (Tri-lakes Cares) is Oct. 4.** This supports Tri-Lakes Cares, and we provide desserts. Desserts can be dropped off the day before – October 3rd at the back door of Lewis Palmer High School. Favorite items include Cookies, Brownies, and Pies. Tri-Lakes really depends on us for the desserts and appreciates the support.
2. **Father Gregory came in and led us in prayer and began to tell us about the state of the parish**

* Number of families in St. Peter is around 2000, but only 1000 are regular church goers.
* How good the picnic was at the Mining Museum and how the weather actually cooperated
* How much the parish is growing; Some people move out, but are replaced by the new military families that are relocating to the Monument area.
* He hears complaints that people say behind his back and they always come back to him. He really prefers people to let him know what issues they have so it can hopefully be resolved.
* The school is celebrating 10 years and continues to grow.
* He is creating weekly videos for the Eucharistic Revival. Check online or look in the flock notes for when they are available.
* We will start having child care after the 10:30 mass. Fr. Gregory is working with the designer he used previously to come up with a plan to create a permanent child care area (currently it will be in the large conference room in the vestibule). Right now there is not a good place for it so it will be awhile before anything is done.
* Continue to Pray for vocations. There were 18 Seminarians this year, but we can always use more.
* Sr. Jackie has arrived and is working with the confirmation children. Sr. Quinn is enjoying her new position with the Bishops team, but she is still missed.
* **Bettinger** will be taking pictures this year for a church directory. Father prefers everyone to get their picture taken so he can easily recognize them in church. He mentioned that **Bettinger** will not give a hard-sell to purchase the photos. They will take one photo for free for the directory. **Bettinger** is located in Denver so if you happen to be in Denver you can stop by their office, but they will also be at the church a few weekends to take pictures in the vestibule.

1. **Quilt Raffle** – Our quilt for the raffle is underway. We plan to hold the raffle before Easter with ticket selling beginning in January.
2. We have some positions available within the Guild. If you feel you can help, please let **Kris** know. Co-chair, secretary and meeting brunch coordinator. **Bonnie McGuire** said she will take over as the brunch coordinator (THANK YOU).
3. September Lunch Bunch: Wines of Colorado, 8045 W. HWY 24 Cascade, CO 80809. September 21st, 11:30am. RSVP by Noon Monday, September 18th to Karen Bishop (719) 321-6288 or [bishopia@msn.com](mailto:bishopia@msn.com).

**Prayer Requests and People’s Intentions and Closing Prayer –**

1- Peggy Randall has a malignant brain tumor

2- Patt Murphy - Special Intention

3- Gladys Tribble is in hospice

4- Susan Berube - Special Intention

5- Betty Socha -Jennifer Galvin has brain cancer

6- Jeanne Vincent- Guyote is having a biopsy and has a long list of health issues

7- Elaine Stalzer - Frank (her husband) has Leukemia

8- Kathleen O’Connor - McGuire family needs prayers

9 – Kris Mueller – Friend has cancer