

St. Thomas Catholic Church of Redmond

Altar Society

Meeting Date/Time: Monday, February 12, 2024 @ 1:00 pm

Venue: St. Thomas Church, Fireside Room

Officer Attendance:

| Officer's Name | Title | Present |
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| Patti Hanken | President | x |
| Becky Larkin | Vice President | x |
| Carol Mitchell | Recording Secretary | x |
| Laurel Cupper | Treasurer | x |
| Father Saji Thomas | Pastor | x |
| Father Caleb Cunningham | Parochial Vicar | |

Meeting Minutes

Call to order by President

1. Opening Prayer by Father Saji

2. Pastor's Comments — Confessions and hispanic masses have been changed to Thursdays and the soup dinners during Lent will be after the bi-lingual Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. These changes help to make Wednesdays less cumbersome for the priests.

3. Recording Secretary — The minutes were approved as written. A thank you note from the Demers as well as one from Shirley Kuper for the funeral luncheon for Clarence was read.

4. Treasurer's Report — see report attached. Checkbook balance—\$21,111.40

5. Reports of Committees

| Year-Round Activities | | Updates plus any issues to discuss. |
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| Altar Care | Yes | Athena (Williams) is working on linens for the side altar tables. |
| Altar Flowers & Holidays | Yes | Carol noted she will be changing out the frontal altar cloth for purple with the coming of Ash Wednesday and Lent. Easter lilies will be |
| Coffee and Donuts | Yes | Very popular. More help will be needed in the future—stayed tuned! |
| Quilting | Yes | The ladies are in the process of choosing a pattern for this year's quilt. |
| Funeral Luncheons | Yes | A luncheon was held after the funeral mass for Clarence Kuper. |

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| Sunshine/Homebound | Yes | Marjorie Joll ordered, received, and has addressed the Easter cards for the homebound notifying them of the mass to be held in their honor during our Easter celebration. It was noted that mass requests by AS should be limited to immediate family. Father also let everyone know that if additional masses requests are needed he can obtain them from other parishes within our diocese. |
| Religious Gift Counter | Yes | Laurel thanked Lori Forman for her assistance with the gift counter at 5:30 masses. Help with the 10:00 masses would be appreciated. the speciality items for First Communions as well as Confirmation are in stock.. |

| Annual Events & Fundraiser's | | Updates plus any issues to discuss. |
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| | | Month |
| Membership Drive | Yes | It was decided instead of a "membership drive" per say we will participate in the ministry fair to be held later in the year (probably September). There is a need of a coordinator for this event as well as for our table. |
| St. Thomas Parish Festival | Yes | June 30,2024 The parish is in need of a coordinator for this event. |
| Rummage Sale | No | July 12-13,2024 |
| Bazaar | Yes | The date has been changed back to the second Saturday of November. November 9,2024 |
| Cookie Sale | Yes | The Spring cookie sale will be April 27-28,2024. Patti has graciously donated a quilt for raffle. |

7. Old Business

| Topic/Action Item | Responsible Party/Status |
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| Special Event Coordinator | Katherine (Ennes) requested one more soup for the Young Adult/ Youth Conference being held at the Powel Butte Retreat Center which she received. Carol (Mitchell) will coordinate dinner for the priests to be held prior to the Lenten Penance/Confession service the evening of March 11. More cookies were requested for the Right of Election event February 17 here in the gymnasium for approximately 150 attendees. |
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8. New Business

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| Lenten Soup & Bread | Sign up sheets were available for the Friday, March 1st event for which AS is in charge—ten soups as well as bread and rolls are needed. |
| New Officers | Election for NEW officers WILL be held in May -- all four officers have served two years as allowed by AS bylaws! Everyone was encourage to think & pray about where they can serve!!! |
| Thank you! | Father Saji was whole heartedly thanked for providing an authentic Indian lunch to all attending members !!! |

9. Closing Prayer: by Father Saji

Next meeting — March 11, 2024