

Saint Columba Parish Council of Catholic Women
Meeting Minutes
7pm 4 February 2013

Becky Flynn called the meeting to order. The meeting began with a prayer to our Lady of Good Council. Monsignor Lawrence welcomed us. Regina read the minutes from the January meeting. The group approved the minutes. Next, Nancy did the treasurer's report. She reported that she was having trouble accessing the bank account so she was not positive about the exact numbers. Nancy reported that she paid \$100 for national dues thus leaving us with approximately \$101 in our account.

We first discussed old business. The idea of membership cards at the church entrances was further explored. Becky volunteered to make these cards and get them set up in the church. We decided that the cards could be returned to us by dropping them into the collection baskets during mass.

Next we moved to new business. The first thing we did was to fill out a member profile survey to collect some information about our members, their interests and their talents. Since only a few members were present we will probably need to continue this at future meetings before we get a good sample size for our survey.

Nancy shared information on an opportunity to provide dollar dinner to the CCM community. After the dinner we could share information about our ministry with the students. We decided to do this as a group on either April 24th or 17th. She would let them know what dates we liked and finalize it.

The officers announced to the group that we had chosen a few projects to start out with. For our focus on spirituality we are doing a lecture series on important morality issues for Catholics. Some possible topics are end of life issues, right to life and women's reproductive health, fertility and family planning. Becky and Krista are heading up that effort. As far as providing service to the community, we decided to do a club research project for the parish followed by a directory, website update and club fair. Nancy and Regina are co-chairs of that project. For service to families we are welcoming new babies to the parish by providing a home cooked meal to the new parents. Other opportunities exist for members who would like to make blankets or other baby items as well. All officers are co-chairs for this project.

We worked on getting some of the details together for our lecture series. We decided to contact Dr. Burke and his wife Kim to help with the NFP portion. Maria Gallagher is a possible contact for Pro Life issues and Judy Dobson, and Mary Haupt are possible speakers for end of life issues. We decided we would try to contact these people about availability to speak.

Monsignor Lawrence led us in a closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned.