

The regular meeting of Court Immaculate Conception #322 was called to order by Regent Karen Selensky on **November 11, 2025** at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit parish hall. Four officers were present. Thirty-four members attended.

Colene Johs and Betsy Hampkins were our guests tonight. Colene Johs became a member, and Betsy Hampkins will let us know at a future meeting.

The Minutes were approved as presented. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented and filed as shown. Regent Selensky reminded everyone that the \$25 dues may be paid at any time now for the 2026 year.

Regent Selensky introduced Nathan Gentry, Pastoral Assistant of Home on the Range, as our guest speaker. Nathan has established a weekly routine as well as conducting three Bible camps every four months. Camps run from 2-3 days, with Morning and Evening worship, games, guest speakers and concludes with a campfire and conversation. Following these camps, most kids recognize they do need God if they wish to change their direction in life. Nathan and Father Vetter meet with boys and girls (aged 12-17) separately in different settings to learn about God and Scripture. They may attend Sunday church if they have earned that right. We also invite cultural speakers and missionaries. Nathan requested prayers for kids with mental health and behavioral issues, relativism, and broken families. The state covers about 65% of our budget. Similar facilities are being shut down in the state.

Old Business

Treasurer Mary Ann Morford reported \$2,061 from the Burrito breakfast and bake sale. About 60 people attended the breakfast. Regent Selensky bought the paper products costing \$98.95. The food purchased by Celia Sattler amounted to \$437.67. Virginia Dolajak moved and Rosie Dingus seconded to reimburse the \$98.95 to Regent Selensky and \$437.67 to Celia Sattler. Motion carried. Regent Selensky thanked Celia Sattler for leading the burrito making, and thanks to everyone who worked and supported the event.

Regent Karen Selensky reported the October audit went well with State Vice Regent Sue Dyrness-Judd presiding.

Coats for Kids project with the St. Mary's Knights, Altar Society of St. Mary's and some Catholic Daughters assisted with the event. There were 114 coats given this year compared to 200 last year. The remaining coats will be placed in storage for next year.

Maddie Abbott reported the next JCDA meeting is November 23 at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral. Installation of officers (elected at the October meeting) will take place then. One service project would be writing to veterans. A guest speaker is pending for now. For the month of December JCDA service project will be singing carols at some nursing homes. We will be participating in a pro-life bake sale with the University of Mary. Fifty percent of the proceeds will go to St. Gianna Home and 50% to the University of Mary. The prayer boards which were made in October are ready to be distributed to Moms, elderly or homeless. Maddie asked for Catholic Daughter inactive members names for distribution. Regent Selensky will provide names. She reported the JCDA membership is about 25 at this time with five high school students being elected as officers. Maddie thanked Regent Selensky and Vice Regent Dorleen Wolbaum for all their help with the JCDA.

Regent Selensky reported the cost for the JCDA banner is \$65. Sharon Wiederholt moved and Johanna Nagel seconded that the Court purchase the banner for JCDA. Motion carried. After consulting with CDA National and State representatives, Regent Selensky reported that all JCDA expenses will be paid from the CDA checking account rather than being separate.

Announcements

Regent Selensky thanked Molly Freidel and Mary Uhlman working with her on continuing to update the website, Facebook and social media posts.

Regent Selensky shared that Marge Schempp, past Regent, will be celebrating her 90th birthday on December 7 after the 11:15 mass at Saint Anne. We are all invited to her celebration.

New Business

Regent Selensky reported the nativity scene set up at the Capitol is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, December 2 at 10 am. Regent Selensky reported that the Court will need to find help to move the nativity set from the Diocese storage unit to the Capitol. The actual blessing of the Nativity scene will be on Wednesday, December 3 at 3 pm at the State Capitol first level. Regent Selensky has invited State Legislator Karen Karls and Father John Paul Gardner to provide the welcome and the blessing.

Treasurer Mary Ann Morford reported on the jigsaw speed puzzle competition as a fundraiser taking place on Saturday, January 17 at Christ the King Parish. Teams of four people would pay a \$40 registration fee with about 15-20 teams participating, and the event will be advertised to the community. Each team receives the same exact 500 piece puzzle. When it's time, they open the puzzle and proceed to complete the puzzle as quickly as possible. It's becoming really popular and takes place in various places in our community as a fundraiser. Puzzles will need to be ordered. Mary Ann asked for volunteers to be on the committee. Virginia Dolajak, Kelly Fischer and Alvina Reichert volunteered. Mary Ann will also work with Molly Freidel on developing an announcement to be used on social media and possibly in bulletins.

Regent Selensky reported that the Cathedral office gave the Court twelve names of shut-ins for us to consider visiting on a regular basis. Norma Rajme asked if we could get addresses from the parish of the shut-ins so volunteers could make sure, they were able to go to those locations where they may live. Regent Selensky said she would contact the parish to get that information. It was also recommended to keep our Buddy System in mind and to visit our inactive members whenever possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned until the next meeting on Tuesday, December 2, at the Cathedral parish hall beginning at 6:30 pm.

Diane Krupinsky