

Women's Council September Agenda
Thursday, September 10, 2026, 9:30 am
Next Meeting: Thursday, October 1st, 9:30 am

Welcome and Prayer:

Introductions: Marie Suchy, President (612-599-6661)
Camille Curtiss, Vice-President (952-221-5980)
Michelle Flannery, Secretary (612-518-1140)
Rowanne Dombeck, Treasurer (612-508-1737)

What we accomplished this past year and goals for next year (2026-27):

Please read at your leisure-

Fundraising – Rummage Sale was \$ 7,319.40 net

Last year, our Boutique was \$ 8,916.06 net- bottle wall was a hit. Christmas Tree raffle for Music Ministry. Please bring some new ideas for this year to our October meeting & get ready to make pie crusts & apple pies this month.

Hospitality -We had quarterly Community dinners. We helped serve at the Pack the Pews reception and Parish Picnic. Provided desserts for the Fish Frys and some funerals, cake for the sacramental reception. Helped served and cleaned up at the Reconciliation retreat, First Communion retreat, and graduation reception. Continued serving at funeral luncheons (set-up and serving) with different catering options this year to offer.

Giving – Purchased a new Bingo machine for Corn Days and to be able to continue to fundraise with. We gave money to cover the Community Center ceiling renovation new acoustic tiles upgrade, ceiling fans, and much needed cleaning of lights and vents. We helped collect and donate to Appalachian Christmas and St. Anne's Mitten tree at Christmas. The bottle campaign for Southwest options during Lent. Sent donations to 10 more organizations. Donated and hosted quarterly the Community Dinner and purchased new yard signs. We gave annual parish staff and volunteer gifts. We paid for Adams Pest Control and AED upkeep.

Social Events – Christmas Potluck and End of the Year potluck with today with this fall kick-off brunch –New this past year, we had a Tailgate Superbowl party with bingo and potluck.

We would like to have 2-3 social opportunities again this year. Please help with planning!

Our volunteer hours were tallied up to give to the archbishop last April and were 2143.5 hours. We will continue to tally them so please write your hours in our book in the conference room and clipboard in our kitchen closet. The archdiocese had 113,289 hours to report to the archbishop from only 32 of our active 71 women's councils.

Approval of June Minutes:

Treasurer's Report : 5/31/2026 \$28,128.90 -- 8/31 balance

Old Business:

- A. Corn Days Bingo results and comments – Shannon
 - Quorum vote on 7/219/2026 to buy a Bingo machine for \$1000 to follow state gambling licensing rules – Matching \$1000 donation.
- B. Summer volunteer activities with gardening, the parish picnic, and the community dinner to gather for some social time plus we had 5 funerals since June to serve.

New Business:

A. Boutique planning -- November 21st -confirm time -last year was 10 - 4

- 1) Chairs confirmation for 2026: Pie Making: Vendors: Kitchen:
General Store: Raffle: Publicity: Cashiering:
Cookies: Sign Ups: Signage and Set-up: Card Room? Other:
- 2) Pie crusts and apple pie making – how many? order supplies and buy ingredients
--watch for flyers, Flocknote notices for dates and times
-- apples through Donna's connection? delivery dates, how much can we get, kinds of apples? storage
- 3) Raffle items? Tree Raffle and Bottle Wall again?
--Gambling permit in the works after this meeting
- 4) Vendor ideas—send new vendors to Marie and Sara, prep the letter and mail out. --
Changed the price to \$30/table with a free cup of coffee last year.
- 5) Entertainment-check with Music Ministry
- 6) Next meeting is on October 1st at 9:30 -please attend to finalize chairs and vendor update. Discussion of set up ideas, lunch and pie pricing, general store merchandise ideas, help prep boutique mailing.
-- Will have opportunities to sign up for shifts in November with set-up, pricing the general store, along with pecan and fruit pie baking on Nov. 20th, and on then the day of with cashiering in various locations, kitchen help, the card room, stocking and selling pies, cookies and selling raffle tickets.
-- Think about cookie and bar baking for our General Store and Cookie Boxes, gathering items to stock the General Store, and donate to the Bottle Wall if we hold it again

B. Church Improvements and Needs

-- ideas for our new project to work on this year such as new dividers, kitchen upgrades, or other church needs

C. Text message group for this year – Women's Council 2026-27 have 21 names currently. Should we set up a separate boutique group as we go as we do for funeral planning? Trying to clean up who wants to still be in with the messaging and our unique prayer circle and hurrahs but not be too bothersome!

D. Anything Else?

E. Upcoming Events –

- 1) Appalachian Christmas information will be out soon
- 2) Social events- do we want a social committee? Need your input for new ideas. Look at speakers, book club, bible studies, outings, movie matinee again, soup or chili suppers, FMSC, Mission Trip help fundraiser, Lenten project
- 3) **September 24th**-5:30pm Thursday: Community Dinner- we will host
- 4) Pack the Pews- tbd
- 5) **November 21st**, Saturday, 10-4? confirm time, Holiday Boutique

Prayer and Adjourn