

Elizabeth Ministry
Agenda
May 10, 2007

1. Welcome and Introductions – Welcome to Barb Hanlon, our new minister!!!!

2. 1st Communicant Retreat/Living Rosary/May Crowning Postmortem
 - Next year include all the prayers of the rosary for the “white beads”. We can include all prayers on the back of the picture of each “mystery”.
 - It was nice having the May Crowning/Marian Event at the beginning of May – this was the crown to “adorn” Mary all month
 - 1st Communion Retreat – having it before the event was definitely good – allowed the students to become familiar with the prayers
 - Toys were good at the Retreat – the students received a toy after they answered a question. The toys were great – all “Christian” items...had nice messages on them.
 - It would be nice to have more visual aides during the retreat
 - Michael Thomas held a very nice prayer service.....he blessed our “Expectant mom” and invited all expectant moms to receive a blessing after the service. Very nice.
 - Peg did an awesome job with the ice cream social!
 - The 2nd graders and 7th graders were awesome too!

3. PTO Meeting – We presented the school library with a gift of children’s books and a “check” for \$350 to be used in the library. It was appreciated.

4. New “Leaders”
 - a. Membership Chair – thanks to Gretchen
 - b. Prayer Leader – thanks to Kathy

5. New Minister Orientation – to be held Thursday May 24 at 7pm. Some people can’t attend Thursdays.....another session will be planned on a different day in a few months.

6. Gift for Rachael and Grace (tree, stone, mass)
 - a. The tree has been planted, a mass has been requested
 - b. Linda will sign off on a granite stone w/the Mother Theresa saying. We should have it in a few months. There will probably be a small prayer service around the tree when it is presented to the family.
 - c. Margaret described a “Daddy Book” that her grandchild received after the death of her son. It’s a photo album of favorite pictures of his dad. This is a wonderful idea we can share with the Casavant’s.....maybe Greg’s sister-in-law.

7. Cookbook
 - a. Mother's Day – sold a few more book through school
 - b. Consignment – sold one in the first week – we'll receive 60% of the cost of the book

8. Open Discussion
 - a. Mission statement – may consider for another day
 - b. Plan library “day” – we have many books to set up onto the “Library system”. We will tackle this at our next meeting. Some ministers will be entering the books, others can put labels or pockets, others can organize the Eliz Min books on the Fr. Wack shelves in the designated area.
 - c. Candles – different design for “memorial gifts” – Margaret will design a “Memorial Candle” and paint 2 dozen of the candles for gifts to those who have had a loss. She offered to paint additional candles for our Memorial Service.
 - d. Tax deductions –send me check numbers and amounts if you would like to have the parish include your contributions to the Casavant's in your tax return for the year.

9. Next meeting – Thursday, June 7 in the Library

10. Prayer Requests – will be sent separately