**New Beginnings Ministry**

**Meeting Minutes – Sept 28, 2025**

**Attendance: 36 Members**

Linda Newman, President, called the meeting to order at 12:34.

Father Anthony offered the opening prayer and gave an inspiring talk to open our season of monthly meetings.

**President - Linda Newman**

Linda welcomed the group to the first meeting of the season. The Ministry Mission Statement and Vision Statements were read re-emphasize that all members need to be treated with respect and dignity.

September Birthdays – Mary Ann Whallen, Jacque Colegrove, Dottie Stallings, Mary Butigan, Joy Karpinski, and Joan Wright. We will be sure to add Oct and Nov birthdays at the next meeting.

New Board Members were reintroduced to the group

* Linda Newman, President
* Cindy Houseman, Vice President
* Barbara Twoomey, Treasurer
* Lori Lencioni, Social Director
* Peggy Kohler, Prayer Leader
* Pat Smeltzer, Corresponding Secretary
* Mary Butigan, Recording Secretary
* Thank you to everyone that brought spaghetti for SVDP
* Change of Date for the Christmas Party to Jan 10, 2025.
* Expenditures for altar flowers for Christmas ($25) and Easter ($25) and the Memorial Mass Intention ($20). Motion made to approve by Linda Newman, 1st acceptance Betti Walter, 2nd acceptance by Teresita Almeda. Motion passed unanimously.

**Recording Secretary – Mary Butigan**

Mary Butigan asked for a call to accept the April Meeting Minutes. One member did not receive so minutes will be resent out for approval at the next meeting.

**Treasurer’s Report – Barbara Twoomey**

There was a reminder that all expenditures need to run through the treasurer with supporting receipt documentation for approval and payment.

**April 13, 2025 Treasurer’s Report**

Balance brought forward: $1,140.88

Credits

March Collection $ 54.00

Total $1,194.88

Debits:

Linda Newman – Easter Church Flowers $ 25.00

Linda Newman - Life Teen Missionary Trip $ 300.00

**Account balance to Date:** $ 869,88

A call to accept the treasurers’ report made by Barbara Twoomey, 1st acceptance by Dolores Coote, 2nd by Irma Gaffney. All attendees in favor with no nays.

**Recording Secretary – Pat Smeltzer**

* The Ministry welcomed four new members to this meeting. Karen Chindanusorn, Maria Forte, Christy Johns, Arlene Newmon, and Norbeth York.

**Social Director’s Report - Lori Lencioni**

* Birthday lunches each month will now alternate between a weekday or weekend so that all members can attend.
* October Birthday Luncheon date and place will be announced shortly.

**Upcoming Travel and Events – Anne Childers**

* Charleston Bus Trip – Nov 3 to Nov 7, 5 days/4 nights**. Cancelled**
* Transatlantic Repositioning Cruise from Tampa to Rome Leave April 12th, 2026. There will be a trip extension after arrival in Rome to tour the Amalfi Coast.
* Provence, France – Small owner facility. Limited bookings.

Sign up sheet at the table at the back of the meeting room for input as to other areas of travel interest. Please contact Anne Childers directly with any questions or inquiries on any of the trips.

**New Business - None at this meeting**

**Closing Prayer**

* The closing prayer was offered by Peggy Kohler.

Meeting adjourned at 1:39 PM