

## **SSDCA Board Meeting 5/27/25**

Attended: Ed Giblin, Rick Rall, Bernadette Rall, John Payne

**Approval of Minutes:** Approved from 4/9/25

**Financial Update:** John Payne

Operating fund balance: \$6,671      St. Lawrence fund balance: \$18,334

John will write a letter regarding dues and Ed will send it out. Regarding retreat, Ed will send a letter to the deacon supervisors/priests to remind them that paying for the retreat is part of the deacon contract. Ed will also ask the supervisors to encourage the deacons to attend.

If we change anything to the St. Lawrence Fund, it may be to tighten up the description; Ed will check with the Diocesan finance person to see if we would need to change the bylaws; we also need to change the members on the St Lawrence Fund board; if we need to change the bylaws, we would let all SSDCA members know ahead of time so they could consider the change

Rick will draft a letter with the July 15<sup>th</sup> deadline for the Zawacki award nominations. He will include the description for the award and send the letter to Ed to distribute.

### **Phoebe's Friends:**

Bernadette reported Widow's Luncheon on May 20<sup>th</sup> went very well for the 20 attendees; the ladies enjoyed catching up with everyone; Fr. Palumbos and Ed Giblin offered mass and Fr. Peter Clifford joined everyone for lunch

### **Ordination Breakfast:**

Rick and Bernadette are hosting the breakfast, with help from a few deacons and Phoebe's Friends wives; Bernadette has arranged everything with Michelle Kelly at the Cathedral; there will be coffee, bagels, pastries, muffins and fruit; Ed reported about 30 deacons and 10 wives are registered to attend; it is the first ordination in 2 years and, more years than that, for the ordination breakfast

**SSDCA Retreat:** September 5-7 – Notre Dame Retreat Center – Dennis and Fr. Sadhanala from St. John's in Spencerport will meet to discuss theme of "Hope"; Ed will ask deacon supervisors to encourage deacons to attend

**Convocation:** no date yet; Bishop Matano has been busy covering masses at Sacred Heart and offering masses for Pope Francis and Pope Leo

**Picnic:** July 27, 2025 at Cayuga State Park; will need orders for chickens so we need to email soon to ask for RSVPs

Next meeting: Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – 6 pm – Immaculate Conception

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Rall