

SSDCA Board Meeting 6/17/25

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

Approval of Minutes: Approved from 5/27/25

Financial Update: John Payne

Same numbers as last month:

Operating fund balance: \$6,671

St. Lawrence fund balance: \$18,334

John presented a letter regarding dues and our current financial status. Ed will update the number of active deacons and send it out to the community. Dues are due after July 1st for the next fiscal year. Rick also presented a letter regarding leadership opportunities within the SSDCA – Ed will forward that letter to the group as well.

Rick presented a second letter regarding the Stan Zawacki award, asking for nominations. Ed will send that one out on Friday so there is a little separation.

We are unable to change any of the parameters for the St. Lawrence Fund until the bankruptcy is settled

Phoebe's Friends:

Bernadette reported Day of Reflection is on October 25th, with Sr. Laurie Orman as speaker. Will take place at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The wives have appreciated getting notes from the committee twice a year with updates and well wishes.

Ordination Breakfast:

Breakfast went well and was appreciated by the deacons, priests and a few family members. We had help from some Phoebe's Friends members.

SSDCA Retreat: September 5-7 – Notre Dame Retreat Center – no updates.

Convocation: still no date yet; Bishop Matano still busy covering masses at Sacred Heart

Picnic: Sunday, July 27th; John Tomandl sent another email today asking for RSVPs and for them to contact John directly

Deacon Report:

Ed reported there are two members leaving the Deacon Personnel Board – he has one new member, but is looking for an additional member.

We have 69 active deacons – 2 were recently ordained and 1 excommunicated; will be taking in 3 men for the deacon program in the fall; some discussion on requirements in other dioceses for deacons – many are adding graduate programs for their diaconate programs

Catholic Book Publishers – out of breviary sets; new sets should be coming out by the end of the year, so Ed suggested not to buy the 4 volume set and wait for the new ones to be available

Next meeting: no meeting in July; August 19, 2025 at Immaculate Conception

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Rall