

ST. ANNE'S ROSARY-ALTAR SOCIETY

SACRED HEART PARISH

COLWICH, KANSAS

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I-NAME

Section1. The name of this organization shall be the St. Anne's Rosary and Altar Society, hereinafter referred to as "Altar Society". This Altar Society shall be under the patronage of St. Anne.

Section2. The name of the Altar Society shall not be used for any purpose other than the designated objective as stated in Article II.

ARTICLE II-OBJECT

The object of this Altar Society shall be to work under the guidance of the Pastor, to make the house of God attractive, to meet the needs of the sanctuary (including candles, altar breads, wine, and laundry of Church linens), to prepare and serve funeral dinners, to promote the welfare of living and deceased members, and to do other works of charity. The Altar Society shall engage in parish activities as requested or approved by the Pastor.

ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The membership of this Altar Society may include all women of the parish 21 years of age and older.

Section 2. The membership of the Altar Society is divided into groups of women, called circles. Women wishing to participate in Altar Society activities may join the circle of their choice with guidance from the President in an attempt to evenly distribute membership in each circle. Annually each circle appoints a chairman and co-chairman. Each circle is responsible for designated activities as directed by the Executive Board.

Section 3. There shall be no annual dues in connection with membership in this Altar Society, although donations may be requested per circles' needs to fund their activities.

ARTICLE IV-FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. This fiscal year shall be January first through December thirty-first inclusive.

Section 2. The rosary prayed before each regular meeting shall be for the living and deceased members of the Altar Society; unless otherwise stated, with special intentions.

Section 3. One mass shall be offered for a deceased member as soon as possible following her death.

Section 4. Members of the Altar Society are encouraged to attend the rosary and funeral of its deceased members.

Section 5. Members of the Altar Society shall be present to lead the rosary, if requested, on the eve of the deceased's funeral.

Section 6. On the first Sunday in October, the Altar Society members are encouraged to attend and celebrate the day of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, by attending Mass and Communion in a body at a designated Mass.

ARTICLE V-AMENDMENT OF THE BYLAWS

Section 1. These bylaws shall be reviewed annually in January by the elected officers.

Section 2. These bylaws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Altar Society by a two-thirds vote, provided that the amendment(s) have been submitted in writing at the previous regular meeting.

APPROVED AND AMENDED NOVEMBER 4, 2018

Donna Bergkamp, President

Phyllis Meyer, Vice President

Karen Liles, Treasurer

Ann Spexarth, Secretary