

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Sodality of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

(WOMEN'S BRANCH)

OF

SS. Peter and Paul's Church

ROCHESTER, N. Y.

Sec. 8. The funeral of a member should be attended by all the members. All should join in the prayers for the defunct after the Mass.

Sec. 9. All members should offer at least once a year a Holy Communion for the defunct members of the Sodality.

Sec. 10. The officers as well as the members should visit the sick of the Sodality, and if necessary take care of their needs, and should see that they in due time receive the Sacraments and that all things be in readiness for the reception of the same.

Sec. 11. The regular monthly communion shall be the first Sunday of the month at the 8:30 o'clock mass. The monthly meeting shall take place on the second Tuesday of the month.

Sec. 12. All Dues received shall be deposited with the Church, and no expense be incurred without the consent of the Spiritual Director.

Sec. 13. Any member being in arrears with her dues more than one year is not any longer entitled to the benefits of the Sodality. Any member owing one year's dues shall be notified of it, and failing to straighten her accounts with the Sodality forfeits her membership in same, and her name shall be taken off the list.

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Section 1. This Sodality, which was erected in this parish the second day of February, 1852, is named "The Women's Sodality of the Immaculate Heart of Mary."

Sec. 2. The main ends of this Sodality shall be:—

(1st) Sanctification of its own members by imitating the virtues of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

(2d) To work for the conversion of sinners by example, word and prayers.

(3d) To adorn the parish church.

(4th) In special cases to assist needy members.

Sec. 3. The officers of the Sodality to be elected every two years, shall be: A President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Spiritual Director of the Sodality shall be appointed by the Pastor.

Sec. 4. Only women of good Christian life and reputation can be admitted into membership. The Spiritual Director shall have the power to expel any member for grave reasons.

Sec. 5. Admission into membership can be obtained at every monthly meeting by making application through any of the members of the Sodality; by being duly registered by the Secretary; by the payment of 50 cents admission and \$1.00 annual dues. Each member will be supplied with the Sodality medal and a Constitution of the Sodality.

Sec. 6. This Sodality is affiliated with the Prima Primona of the Roman College and is the recipient of all the indulgences therefrom.

BENEFITS

Sec. 7. A monthly Mass to be offered for the members.

A High Mass on the feasts of the Nativity, Presentation, Visitation, Purification of the B. V., and on the feasts of the Seven Dolours before Holy Week; as, also, on the Patron's feast of the Sodality on the first Sunday after the Octave of the Assumption of the B. V., and on the feast of St. Anne.

For each deceased member a Requiem shall be offered. All stipends shall be paid by the treasury.