## Human Concerns Minutes May 2, 2023

Attendees: Suzanne Biedenbender, Ana Rysavy, Marilyn Sabec & Penny Wessing

Meeting started at 6:30 with Prayer of St. Francis

## PROJECTS & FOLLOW-UP

**Hygiene bags for St. Ben's** – This project ran from March 12 – March 26. Items were sorted on March 26 in the Parish Center gym. Members of the OLL St Vincent de Paul Society put together 10 bags of items to be used for their home visits in the Random Lake area. Suzanne & her husband Lon delivered the hygiene items to the House of Peace on March 27.

**Spring Blood Drive** – Took place on Monday, March 20 from 1:00 - 6:00 pm. We had 32 whole blood donors and 7 double red donors for a total of 46 units of blood, which was the goal set by the American Red Cross. Our next drive will be held on Monday, Oct. 16 from 1:00 - 6:00 pm.

**Anchor of Hope** – Pat Davis received flyers from the clinic. Suzanne gave 23 copies to Terri Riesselmann, who discussed the clinic's mission with the Confirmation class during their retreat in April at Holy Hill. All the students were very pro-life in their discussion which is very encouraging. We will have further discussion on possibly having a Baby Shower for Anchor of Hope in July.

**Easter Cards** to shut-ins – Margaret Bemis sent out 12 cards to the parish shut-ins, including 4 parishioners at Gables on the Pond.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Suzanne shared information received on "Little Dresses for Africa" which was presented to our Wednesday sewing group on April 26 by Robin Barclay. Robin now lives in Random Lake and is very involved with this project, which is headquartered in Rockwood, Michigan. The OLL sewing group plans to get involved and Ana and Penny showed interest in helping with the sewing.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne Biedenbender