

OLL Outreach Committee Meeting  
Our Lady of the Lakes  
Oct. 12, 2023  
2:00 pm, Parish Center

Present: Karen McCabe, Stevie Ritger, Kati Dimmer, Leon Jacoby, Bonnie Steffen

Opening prayer led by Stevie was a Prayer for Peace by Pope Francis.

Prayer intentions

Report from Kati:

Holy Hill trip 10/20 – there is still room

Craft nights started back up on 9/28. The next one will be on 10/26 with making a pumpkin themed craft; 11/4 (card making) December date TBD. The art teacher from Random Lake School District helps out with this.

Bring back Cluster stretch and pray - early mornings with Pam Barton leading this.

Pumpkin carving contest- entries due 10/29 and winner will be announced on Halloween.

Hospitality 10/15, 11/19, 12/17; The SVdP group will be hosting hospitality on 10/29.

Ecumenical Toy drive: pick up date will be 12/17. Kapco provides 2 gifts/toys per child. Flyers were distributed through SVdP, food pantry, elementary/middle schools and donations from our Parish will be asked for. Gloves, hats, and blankets will also be given out.

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service at High School on November 22. Discussed possible changes to improve this.

Jesus and the Eucharist Series will be held on Sundays Oct 22-Dec 10. This seven part series will be led by Kati Dimmer. 6-7:30 pm.

A Night in Bethlehem during Night of Lights on 12/1- Julie Binder is looking for kids to participate as kids in a classroom in Bethlehem.

Christian Women's Christmas cookie/bake sale will be held 12/17 with hospitality.

Advent Reflection books (need to order, will be ordering less since PW committee will be giving away other items each week).

Christmas give away book by Mathew Kelly - Beautiful Eucharist, a collection of reflections from others writing about the Eucharist.

Trunk or Treat- DSCS at Holy Cross on 10/25, Random Lake Park on 10/31.

The Christian Woman cluster Christmas party will be December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Old business:

It was suggested at the PC meeting that the Catholic play group be brought back.

The Vacation Bible School, hosted at OLL this summer, was a good recruiting tool for DSCS. A few more children were registered after attending the Vacation Bible School.

New business:

Stevie shared an article from the July 27 issue of the Catholic Herald titled, *Families Find Healing in Burials for Miscarried Babies*. The article was about Catholic parish cemeteries providing a special section for miscarried babies. Stevie will attend the next cemetery meeting to talk about the possibility of our parish cemeteries having a designated area where these burials could take place.

Meeting closed with prayer at 3:20 pm.

Next meeting date: Monday, January 15, 2024, 10:00 am

Respectfully submitted,

Karen McCabe, Secretary

Closing prayer: Heavenly Father, we pray that we never become content with our outreach mission, but help us continuously strive to do better.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen