

Christian Service and Responsibility Committee Meeting Minutes - November 15, 2022

In Attendance: Dave Callsen, Beckie Hawker, Jan Liss, Jan Malchow, Becky Nash, Kristy Nelson and Tammy Vander Linden.

Jan opened the meeting reading a reflection on "Gratitude as Attitude". "Every time I think of you I give thanks to God." The longer we know someone, we sometimes take them for granted and start to see their flaws. Instead it is important to tell them you appreciate them and thank God for them in your life. Fr. James Martin says that anytime we are aware of being grateful, we are praying.

Budget - Dave: Our balance on August 31, 2022 was \$16,768. Since then we have received \$100 in contributions and spent \$3567 on allocations so our balance on October 31, 2022 is \$13,301. Our donation goal each year is \$4500 but so far we have only received \$3700. Hopefully the holidays will increase this amount.

Care 24/7 Food Pantry - Dave: \$585 has been received in donations and \$3640 spent on inventory, leaving a balance of \$22,098 in the Budget. Current volunteers are able to cover the Pantry.

Conversation Partners - Becky: Things are going fine.

Parish Mission Planning/Entrust Training - Jan L and Jan M: With new members and alumni, 31 attended the Entrust training this past weekend (Nov. 11,12,13-22). 48 Parish members have now completed the program.

Respect Life - From Respect Life Meeting Minutes: Deacon Tony reported approval to use the church website to post pregnancy resources. Julie Kiehnau placed Pregnancy Resource Centers Guides at the church office and will follow up with hard copies at church sites. Julie also posted info on the Alexandrina Pregnancy Resource Center in Green Bay in the church bulletin. Knights of Columbus will be contacted to let them know that the Respect Life Committee would like to work with them on projects like fundraising for an ultrasound. They are working on saying the Rosary before Sunday Mass at all sites. Shirley will have a bulletin item on Memorials to the Unborn at our 4 Parish cemeteries and refer to brochures at each site.

St. Vincent de Paul - Elaine: There were 20 client visits since our last meeting. Outgoing President Greg Berezewski has been replaced by Tom Mulligan.

Outreach - Jan M: Handed out an Action Plan with ideas for Discipleship for Outreach. Discussion followed on ideas such as placing info in grocery bags at the Food Pantry, a wellness check phone ministry, matching youth with adults and other possible actions.

Habitat for Humanity Meals - Jan: With construction still underway at the Baileys Harbor home, volunteers to serve meals at noon on Tuesdays are still needed. Contact Jan if interested. The home has been equipped with solar panels. The new owner recently lost his wife and hopes to be moved in with his daughter and son by Christmas.

Boxes of Joy - Kristy: 81 boxes were collected this year and were blessed by Father on Sunday, Nov. 13th before being shipped today.

Toys for Tots - Jan: Our collection began this past weekend and continues til Sunday, December 4th.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 17th at 4:00 PM in Sister Bay.

Respectfully submitted,

Beckie Hawker, Secretary