

Christian Service and Responsibility Committee Meeting Minutes - July 16, 2019

In Attendance: Greg Berezewski, Dave Callsen, Beckie Hawker, Jan Liss, Becky Nash and Maggie Ter Horst. Guest: Michelle Reddinger from Baton Rouge, LA

Jan opened the meeting with a reading from Luke 15:1-7, the parable about the lost sheep and discussion followed on how we are asked to help find the lost sheep, our hopes and fears in doing this. Thank You notes and letters have been received from Neighbor to Neighbor, Habitat for Humanity of Door County, Good Samaritan Society-Scandia Village, YMCA in c/w their Northern Door Children Summer Food Program and from Catholic Foundation World Missions for support of the following: \$499-to Dominican Republic for latrines and cement used in house repairs, \$500-one month of food and water for 25 children in Burundi, \$500-for 5 llamas to the Community of St. Paul in Vacas, Bolivia and \$500-to Living Waters International in East Africa for 25 acres for sugar cane farming with each acre yielding 29 to 40 tons of sugar.

Budget - Dave: HELP of Door County did not need additional funding from us for printing for their "Stay At Home Ball" campaign. Our 2018-2019 Budget was an allocation from Stella Maris Parish for \$13,250, a balance carried over from our 2017-2018 Budget of \$6,478 and contributions from parishioners throughout the year of \$4,529 for a Total Budget of \$24,257. Organization allocations for 2018-2019 totaled \$18,000 and additional expenses of \$1693 were approved for a Total Expenditure of \$19,693 for 2018-2019. \$4,564 will be carried over and added to our Stella Maris Parish 2019-2020 allocation of \$13,500. Jan will check with Coventry Care to verify their need prior to disbursement of funds to them in January.

Care 24/7 Food Pantry - Jan: \$679 was received in donations and \$585 was spent on pantry items. The Pantry has a Budget Balance of \$10,138.

Conversation Partners - Becky: The program has about 18 teachers and about 22 students now. Another session for teachers training will be held in the Fall

Loaves & Fishes - Jan: Only about 50 people attended the June meal, attendance down from other meals.

Mission Trip - Jan: The April trip to Green Bay was cancelled because of a snow storm. Jan checked with several local organizations to see if we could do anything for them but none needed our help. A Mission Trip is being planned to Green Bay which may involve painting and yard work; details will follow.

Northern Door Health & Wellness/Matthew 25 - Jan: Help was given with car repairs and a caregiver.

On Care of Our Common Home - Becky: They are forming goals and will still help with Earth Day in April. Are thinking about possibly talking to our Parish committees about the Green Purchase Policy and St. Francis Pledge.

Pastoral Council - Jeanne (submitted after Meeting): Meeting was held today with Fr. Farrell. He is getting acclimated, is pleased with Parish Staff and wants to see how things work before making any possible changes. He should be moving into the Baileys Harbor rectory next week. Kevin Revolinski talked about a new Diocesan initiative called Parish Mission Planning to align and mobilize parishes with the Diocesan Mission and Vision. The Diocese has hired a fund raising firm to raise money for evangelization with part going to parishes and part staying with the Diocese. He is looking for volunteers to serve on this Commission. A Parish Facebook page was discussed but no conclusion. The Annual Report is in process and CSR will need to provide some input. Members from each Commission will be asked to attend a special meeting of the Pastoral Council; details to follow.

Interfaith Prosperity Coalition - Jan: Showing of the housing shortage video with 8 Northern Door residents will continue. The next showing is Monday, July 22nd at 2:00 PM at the Sister Bay Library.

Respect Life - Jan: The next meeting is July 24th in Sister Bay.

St. Vincent de Paul - Greg: Since our last meeting, 15 calls for help were answered and \$4825 was disbursed. Thank You to all who helped with the annual Strawberry Fest fundraiser on June 27th. About 550 shortcakes were served. This year strawberries were obtained thru Al Johnson's. All expenses are not in yet but it appears roughly \$6500 was made, including \$500 from CSR and \$1500 in donations from parishioners.

Boxes of Joy - Jan: Kristy will have boxes at our September meeting.

During the meeting, we explained our projects to guest Michelle and she told us about her "Just Faith" Committees in her Baton Rouge Parish.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 17th, at 6:00 PM in Sister Bay.

Respectfully submitted,

Beckie Hawker, Secretary