

“Holy Family of the Bluffs” Social Justice Meeting

Minutes of May 21, 2020

Opening Prayer – Prayer led by Father Moser.

Meeting called to order by Father Moser at 3:02pm.

Members present: Nadine Steines, Connie Mettillie, and Father Moser.

Members excused: Karen Olson, Joe and Mary Egan, Cathy Wagner, Donna Johnson, Mary Kernan, Marcella Hale, Pat Wellendorf, Lynn O’Hara, and Steve Karabatsos.

Minutes and notes of February 20, 2020 meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

1 – New parishioner information packet / welcoming committee.

From February 2020 notes: Pat Wellendorf and Lynn O’Hara met with Father Moser. Lynn went online to find more ideas and possible content. A welcome packet could include: history of parishes, liturgical ministry explanation & signup, explanation of HFB committees & councils (with contact persons), local dentists & doctors, Kee High coupon books, contact numbers, web site, pastoral council chairpersons, Main Street Matters brochure. Lynn and Pat will continue working on this welcome packet; more will be added. St. Patrick Church (Waukon) does NOT have a welcome packet.

2 – “Neighbor helping Neighbor”.

During the past several weeks some of the youth of HFB have been delivering the Sunday bulletin to homebound parishioners. One more weekend for this delivery before Mass can resume.

From February 2020 notes: Karen Olson coordinated sending out Christmas cards to some of our homebound and nursing home residents who are parishioners. Cathy Wagner volunteered to help Karen Olson with sending out cards in the future. Father Moser will provide a parishioner list of homebound & nursing home residents for Committee members.

3 – “Act of Kindness” collection – future recipients were discussed.

June 2020	LIFT or layettes [it will be LIFT]
April 2020	layettes or LIFT [it will be layettes]
May 2020	Jana Troendle – education fund for her three children

Suggested or recommended

- * Stead Family Children’s Hospital – University of Iowa
- * domestic abuse center in area * Daughter of Pastor Sedar

4 – Prayer Chain. Lynn O’Hara reported to Father Moser via telephone – HFB parishioners are in favor of having one prayer chain; communication would be primarily done through email, then text messages and finally by making phone call [depending upon preference of person].
Lynn O’Hara will coordinate next steps and give report at August meeting.

New Business:

- a. During Covid-19 closures we were impressed by the amazing creativity of people. Wondering if meals being prepared at Shep’s and distributed at noon and evening will continue post Covid-19. If not, what might our Committee want to do?
- b. Unplanned – *From February 2020 notes: a movie that was shown at St. Patrick Parish (Waukon) several months ago. Lynn O’Hara and Connie Mettillie attended. They asked – should HFB host a presentation of this movie? This question will be addressed at our next meeting (in August).*
- c. Next meeting will be on Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 3:00pm. Meeting adjourned at 3:39pm.

scribe: Father Moser