

OUTREACH COMMISSION REPORT June 2016 – July 2017

OUTREACH COMMISSION MISSION

To cultivate opportunities for all people to answer God's call through works of mercy, charity, justice, and solidarity as inspired by Catholic social teaching to live the Gospel.

Commission OBJECTIVES *Established May 2016, objective statements in progress.*

1. We will operate as a Commission within the structure set by the parishes of St Michael and Ss. Peter & Paul Pastoral Councils
2. We will base our activities on the biblical and theological foundations outlined in the "Themes from Catholic Social Teaching"
 - Life and Dignity of the Human Person
 - Call to Family , Community, and Participation
 - Rights and Responsibilities
 - Options for the Poor and Vulnerable
 - The Dignity of Work and The Rights of Workders
 - Solidarity
 - Care for God's Creation
3. We will educate and bring awareness of the Church's Catholic Social Teachings and its foundations in the Gospels through multi- media (bulletin, newsletter, website, etc.), student religious education programs, speakers, workshops, retreats, events, reflections, and prayer.
4. We will coordinate, and support the existing charity and justice organizations in our NFL Pastoral Region while maintaining effective communication and collaboration between ministries.
5. We will organize and create opportunities to empower people to have a personal relationship with Jesus through personal encounters with people who are poor (in mind, body, & spirit), vulnerable, and/or marginalized through ministries of charity and justice.
6. We will emphasize the "Option for the Poor and Vulnerable" by pursuing issues which address the dignity and rights of people who are socially, politically, or economically disadvantaged.
7. We will add our voice to change structures in our society which restrict justice and peace, through legislative advocacy.
8. We will give priorities to strategies which enable people to realize and act on their own power.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 2-9, 2017

VISITORS FROM OUR SISTER PARISH

We have planned an immersion for Agustin Fernandez (31yrs), and David Mancia (20yrs.). Our hope is to provide the same insight for our friends in El Salvador, that our pastoral region has, when visiting their community.

August 6, 2017

VISITORS FROM OUR SISTER PARISH

David and Agustin will read the first reading at 9:30a mass and 11a mass.

August 6 (Sunday) 41 s. Loramie Creek Drive 6-8p

GROWING UP IN EL SALVADOR

Chili, hotdogs, smore's and a chat with our friends from El Salvador, on what it's like living in El Salvador.

August 7 (Monday) 7-7:30p St. Michael Hall

THE INFLUENCE OF ARCHBISHOP ROMERO | THE ENGLISH PROGRAM UPDATE

St Michael Education Commission will follow the presentation.

August 8, (Tuesday) 7-7:30p Ss. Peter & Paul Family Life Cr.

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Ss. Peter & Paul Pastoral Council will follow the presentation, in the church basement.

August 31, Sep 7, 14, 21, 18, 9 (Thursdays) 6:30p-9:00p 119 E. Water St., Sidney OH

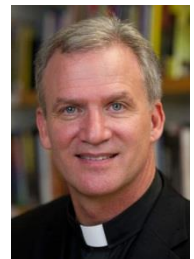
SALT AND LIGHT

"Salt and Light" provides basic groundwork to the Roman Catholic Church's rich tradition of Catholic Social Teaching. It will encourage participants to read the Gospels through the unique eyes of the poor and vulnerable and to consider acting in new, creative ways to stand in solidarity with "the least among us". It is designed to lead participants towards a desire to engage concretely in God's divine plan for the Kingdom, where all life, dignity and creation will be respected. Salt and Light is a foundational program for new members of the Outreach Commission.

October 5 (Thursday)

FR. DAN GROODY ON IMMIGRATION (5pm ?) St. Albert the Great, Dayton

Sponsors: Catholic Social Services /Archdiocese of Cincinnati Catholic Social Action Office
Daniel G. Groody is a Catholic priest, a Holy Cross religious, a scholar, teacher, and an award winning author and film producer. Fr Groody is currently an Associate Professor of Theology and the Director of the Center for Latino Spirituality and Culture at the Institute for Latino Studies at the University of Notre Dame. Drawing on years of work in Latin America, particularly along the U.S.- Mexico border, he has authored various books and articles which have been translated into five languages.



October 12, 2017 (Thursday) 6:00p-9:00p \$5.00 St. Michael Church

GLOBAL SOLIDARITY ADVOCATE - FORMATION

Archdiocese of Cincinnati Mission Office and local global advocates, will present an evening for Twinning and Sister-Parish teams in the northern area of the Archdiocese, along with Advocates for global solidarity. 6:00 Dinner, fellowship, prayer, introductions, agenda

9:00 Conclude RSVP Theresa at the the Mission Office, Ann Bollheimer: annb@nflregion.org or

Jane Peirron janepierron@embarqmail.com Agenda:

- Support from the Archdiocese Mission Office
- Twinning / Sister Parish
- World Mission Sunday & The Collection
- Support Local Missioners
- Review the Parish Assessment on Global Solidarity
- Communication / Collaboration

October 19 12-1p Archdiocese Northern Office

BROTHER DURAN OCTAVIO journalist from El Salvador will speak at the Northern Area Hispanic ministry meeting (photos to the right).
RSVP for Lunch (\$6 ea. fajitas from Mexican Restaurant)



Dec 7 & 8, 2017 (Thursday & Friday)

ADVENT OUTREACH

Poinsettias, cards, candy, and communion were brought to parishioners who are homebound and who live in local assisted living facilities.

REPORT

May 30 - June 7, 2018 (Tentative Dates)

EL SALVADOR – U.S. BORDER DELEGATION “The Quest for Global Solidarity”

Immigration is a complex and difficult issue. The El Salvador - US Border Delegation begins with a 6-night immersion walking in faith with the people of El Salvador and Christians for Peace in El Salvador. The final three nights of this pilgrimage will be at the US Mexico border. Bring to life the living Gospel in your life, but unveiling the reality of suffering, poverty, oppression, forgiveness and the incredible power of faith. Three planning sessions and three follow-up gatherings are included in this Quest for Global Peace and Solidarity.

May 31 - June 7, 2016

EL SALVADOR ENCOUNTER: 14 Participants: Ann Bollheimer, Megan Bollheimer, Rachel Bollheimer, Paul Timmerman, Deanna Chappie, Diane Ruhenkamp, Hope Ruhenkamp, Emily Holdheide, Janelle Bollheimer, Chuck Wray, Nick Poeppelman (St Augustine), Laura DeMange (St Nicholas), Connie Kearns (St. Raphael), Carol Verhoff (St. Paul the Apostle).

- June 4 & 5: The community of San Cristóbal welcomed the delegation with music, dancing, games, a meal, and a short parish meeting.
- Community presented a painting made “with love” by the students of the English program
- Delegation stayed in the homes of parishioners on Saturday night
- Celebrated 8am mass together.
- Participant shared a photo and reflection of their experience in El Salvador on Facebook

June – August 2016

SUMMER SOLIDARITY PROJECT

Formation: Deanna Chappie instructed VBS participants during St Michael closing assemblies. Students learned about our commitment with our Sister-Parish in El Salvador.

Solidarity: 200+ Children at VBS were part of a Skype call with Juan Gomez, a Maryknoll Lay Missioner in San Cristóbal, El Salvador. Children in El Salvador were playing on the playground. Four teachers are in charge of about 500 students. Children received drawings from El Salvador. Children in VBS drew pictures of their families for children in El Salvador

Outreach; Donations benefited the El Programa de Ingles in San Cristobal, El Salvador.
VBS \$321. Mission Breakfast \$1,000, Donors \$4,505. (\$400 \$120 \$60 \$100 \$125 \$4,000)
Total donations \$6126.00

- On August 4 the sister-parish teams met with Skype and discussed equipment needed.
A photo of both teams was posted on facebook.
- Items purchased in El Salvador (\$5,048) included 8 more Laptops for the program, 1-laptop for Fr Orlando, 8 mouse, 10 audio and microphone/headsets (for Rosetta Stone), 1-projector, 1 Mimio Tech (\$995), 12 new (donated) company logo lap-top cases.
- November 9 \$5,000 was wired to Fr Orlando at San Cristobal for this equipment
- November 22 San Cristóbal received the equipment they ordered for the English Program.
- June 2017 Juan Gomez delivered lap top cases.

Tuesday, August 2, 2016 7:05pm Parish Office

NFL OUTREACH COMMISSION MEETING

Prepared for Mission Breakfast (August 28) and the Salt and Light 5-week Series in Sep & Oct

August 28, 2016 (Sunday) 8:30-12:00pm St Michaels Hall

2016 MISSION BREAKFAST

Information was available at the entrance of St Michael Hall encouraging involvement with social ministries.

5 – Sojourners attended from the Cincinnati area. There 31 volunteers.

Income	\$ 1,137.50	After the breakfast: 12 doz eggs & 30lbs. cooked sausage were donated to Holy Angels Soup Kitchen. Peg Wray delivered.
Donation:	\$ 562.50	
Income	\$ 1,700.00	
Food cost	\$ 700.00	
2016 Net Profit	\$ 1,000.00	

August 28 (Sunday) St Michael Church @ 11am Mass Then: St Michael Hall

YEAR OF MERCY - SOJOURNERS

Fr Dan Schmitmeyer welcomed five visitors at 11am mass. Visitors went to the Mission Breakfast after mass. After breakfast Rose Meyer gave a short church history tour of SM Church.

Thursdays, Sep.29, Oct. 6,13,20,27 St. Michael's Hall 6pm-9p

SALT AND LIGHT

16 Participants attended the 5-week series sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Social Action Office and the NFL Pastoral Region Outreach Commission. S & L was facilitated by Pam Long and Sue Sack. All Outreach Commission Members attended. This program provides groundwork to the Catholic Church's rich tradition of Catholic Social Teaching. Salt and Light and is a credited course for the advanced level of Catechetical Certification "Justice and Peace". Each session began with a meal. Participants prepared one food item on one night. Meals were budgeted to cost no more than \$2 per meal. (Each person prepared one item for \$10, to feed the 18 people). Those highlighted in bold attended for certification credit. Outreach Commission participants: **Deanna Chappie**, Ann Bollheimer, Dcn. Paul Timmerman, Jeff Philipot, **Terri Philipot**, Jennifer Ferguson, Donna Deloye, **Shelley Middendorf**, Tony Bornhorst, and Joyce Bornhorst. Other from the pastoral region: Shirley Larger, **Amy Bergman**. St Henry Cluster: Bro Nick Renner, Deb Knapke, **Deb Elking** and St Augustine, Minster: **Sara Wellman**

The group traveled to St Patrick Soup Kitchen on Thursday, Oct 6 for the immersion experience. Participants had dinner at the kitchen. After dinner, Jessica Echoles, director of Partners in Hope, informed the group of their work with homeless, drug addiction, and offering employment and life skills. Three regulars at St. Pat's Kitchen also shared their story about the need for places like this.

Tuesday, September 13 6:30p

CIVILIZE IT is an initiative of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati encouraging civil dialogue during the election season by making a pledge to civility, clarity, and compassion. Parishes, diocese, organizations, groups, and individuals are encouraged to participate. This workshop clarifies what the Catholic Church teaches on Faithful Citizenship. This workshop was sponsored by the Archdiocese Social Action office, and the Northern area collaborative, which the NFL Pastoral region is part of. Over 60 people attended - the largest gathering in the Archdiocese for this program.

OCTOBER DIAPER DRIVE The Respect Life Committee Collected Diapers at the entrances of Church, to benefit Shelby Country Right to Life. 80 items with a value of \$7 each were collected. Value of \$560

Sat., Nov. 19 - 4:30pm Liturgy St. Peter in Chains Cathedral, Cincinnati

CLOSING OF THE DOOR OF MERCY Presider: Bishop Joseph Binzer

The NFL Pastoral region was part of the **Gather and Send** formation in the Archdiocese.

Leaders convened at **2:30pm** in the Synod Hall of the Cathedral and then attend liturgy together. Over the past year, Catholics throughout the Archdiocese have committed to know mercy and show mercy in new ways. We now gather to celebrate their actions of charity and social justice that have brought to life the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy! As we formally bring an end to the Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, let us pray for the Holy Spirit's help to make the practice of mercy more ordinary in our everyday lives of discipleship and service. May the closing of the door of mercy be yet another opening of the door of mercy in our hearts. Give thanks and praise, for God's mercy endures forever!

Thur. Nov 24 – Sun Dec 11

GIVING TREE THE YOUTH MINISTRY will again sponsor the Giving Tree during Advent. The trees with tags that identify specific needs, begins on Thanksgiving day. Gifts need to be returned to church by Sun., Dec 11. **St. Vincent de Paul** will also have tags on the tree, asking for funding for the SVDP Christmas and home visits. Vincentians will make visits to regulars of the SVDP Food Pantry. Vincentians will distribute gas cards from Wagner's, and a gift card from Aldi's.

November 29 7:05-8:45pm Parish Office

OUTREACH COMMISSION MEETING *Attended: Ann Bollheimer, Paul Timmerman, Deanna Chappie, Tony Bornhorst, Joyce Bornhorst, Donna Deloye, Jenny Ferguson. Absent Terry Philipot, Jeff Philipot, Shelley Middendorf* Agenda

1. Follow-up from Salt and Light. Review assessment tool.
 - Overview:
 - Prayer & Worship: A strength.
 - Formation & Education: Needs work, both adults & youth.
 - Social Ministry: We've come a long way, however Charity and Direct Service is understood; HOWEVER solidarity / walking with / and working towards changing the system is undeveloped (in all areas), and most often misunderstood. Justice is not embraced.
 - Advocacy: This is an area of weakness. (March for Life is the only mention of advocacy)
2. What can we address now? Short Term:
 - Publish Education opportunities for Catholic Social Teaching. Option: CRS Rice bowl has weekly announcements on the spotlight countries that coincide with the 7 themes of Catholic Social Teaching. Publish Action opportunities in the bulletin / newsletter / website on Catholic Social Teaching (Gather and Send)
3. Long Term TBD
4. Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 10 @ 7:05pm @ POC
5. Discussion on Commission Objectives & Structure was tabled, and on the agenda for the January meeting
 - Continued / regular formation for the commission members; pastoral region
 - Acquiring new commission members
 - A Pastoral Council Representatives from each parish (reports will be provided)
 - Be present to, and collaborate with: Education Commissions, Finance Commissions, Worship Commissions, Buildings and Grounds
 - How often does this commission meet?
 - Is there a Budget?

Thursday / Friday December 7 & 8

ADVENT OUTREACH

60 poinsettias, cards, candy, and communion to those who requested, will be brought to parishioners who are homebound and who live in local assisted living facilities.

January 28 - Feb 20,

CASSEROLES FOR A CAUSE

Pick up casseroles pans and the recipes at ether church entrance before February 15. Return your prepared, but not baked, and FROZEN casserole(s) to either St Michael Hall parking lot, or SS Peter & Paul back parking lot on Monday, Feb 20 between 6pm-7pm to benefit St Vincent de Paul Dayton, and Holy Angels Soup kitchen Sidney.

Thu, Fri, Sat February 23, 24, 25 6p-10p Thu/Fri | Sat. 8-12pm St. Michael Hall

ENCOUNTERING MERCY RETREAT

22 Participants Donation \$ 475.

January 10 7:05p Parish Office center

OUTREACH COMMISSION MEETING

Feb 5 – Feb 20 (Presidents Day)

400 CASSEROLES FOR A CAUSE – St Vincent de Paul | St Michael - St. Ann’s | SPP Ladies Sodality

200 casseroles were donated to Holy Angels Soup Kitchen. 200 to SVDP Kitchen on Apple St., Dayton. “Pick up an empty casserole pan from church, make one of the recipes provided, freeze your work of art, and return the frozen casserole on Monday, Feb 20 between 6-7pm to either St Michael’s Hall parking lot or to Ss. Peter and Paul parking lot behind the Church. This outreach is sponsored by St. Ann’s, SPP Ladies Sodality & St Vincent de Paul.

Feb. 25, 26, 27 St Michael’s Hall (Thursday & Friday 6p-10pm, and Saturday 8am-12p)

2016 ‘ENCOUNTERING MERCY’ LIVING CHRIST RETREAT (8th Retreat) Since Feb. 2011

24 participants The retreat team: Allie Cordonnier, Sharon Holdheide, Monica Sowards, and Amy Hoying with music by Mary Smith. The presenters included: Shirley Larger, Deanna Chappie, Paul Timmerman. Volunteers made the meals on Thursday and Friday: Patty Timmerman, Pat Schwartz, and Laurie Sextro, and Saturday’s breakfast was donated by Jeff & Jack Gephart. The reterat will not be held in 2017. A Parish Mission will be held in March. (see adult faith formation schedule)

March 1 - April 13 (Easter April 16)

CRS RICE BOWLS were distributed to all students in CCD classes

- Ss Peter & Paul to grade K-8. \$189.45 was collected. 14-Rice Bowls were returned.
- St Michael to grades K-6. \$1307.13 was collected (\$101 from Taste & See El Salvador). 88 Rice Bowls were returned.

Spotlight Countries for CRS: India from March 5 – 12 | Zambia from March 12 – 19 | El Salvador from March 19 - March 26 | 2017 Mexico from March 26 - April 2

March 20, 2016 (Monday) St Michael Hall 6p-8:45p

TASTE AND SEE EL SALVADOR - *Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Event*

25 people participated , and 5 additional volunteers assisted in the kitchen, for a typical Salvadoran meal.

Catholic Relief Services South West Regional Director Robert Navarro skyped in for 30 minutes and shared his knowledge of the el Salvador Reality including gangs and farming challenges. Four rapid learning stations (10 minute each) included:

1. **Meet Juan Gomez** (skype video call) a parishioner of San Cristobal, and a Maryknoll lay missioner facilitated by Nick Poeppelman.
2. **Christians for Peace in El Salvador** (Skype with Francisco and Elba) facilitated by Dcn. Paul Timmerman
3. **Unbound** global sponsorship facilitated by Deanna Chappie
4. **CRS Rice Bowl** facilitated by Diane Ruhenkamp

April 6, 7, 2017 (Thursday, Friday)

Lent Outreach to the Homebound Groups of two, visited 54 parishioners from our pastoral region.

April, 18, 2017 (Tuesday) 7:05p Parish Office Center

OUTREACH COMMISSION MEETING

June 10, 11, 2017

MISSION CO-OP APPEAL SPEAKER – JUAN GOMEZ Roger and Bobby Bender hosted Juan during his stay in our pastoral region. Juan attended the 2-day workshop in Cincinnati as a requirement to present in our pastoral region. The second collection benefited Maryknoll Lay Missioners.

St Michael collected: \$2,140

Ss. Peter and Paul collected: \$812

June 13, 2017 (Sunday) 5:00-8:00p Bender's Home

SOCIAL GATHERING WITH JUAN GOMEZ

Roger and Bobby Bender hosted a cook-out at their farm, for those interested in meeting Juan Gomez. Guests enjoyed a farm tour, delicious food, and some great stories.

June 13 7pm St. Michael Hall

JUAN GOMEZ "SISTER-PARISH RELATIONSHIP".

20 people participants. There was little, if no representation from Commissions and Councils.

Juan developed a plan for a potential scholarship program for youth in El Salvador.

Further discussion is needed on this proposed program.

June 24 - 30, 2017 Cincinnati

ROOTED IN THE VINE

Ava Grudich, Hannah Raterman and Ella Raterman participated with this extended immersion experience in inner-Cincinnati for high school youth. RITV infuses Catholic social teaching with hands-on service to those in need in a prayerful way. It is open to all eligible high school youth who will be graduating in years 2017-2020. St Vincent de Paul paid for half of \$200 fee to attend. The youth stayed at St. Vincent de Paul's Liz Carter Outreach Center located in the West End community of Cincinnati (1125 Bank St, Cincinnati, OH 45214) Chaperones were provided by the organizers.

July 10-Aug 27

2017 Summer Solidarity Project "The Right to Read and to Dream"

Children from St. Michael Vacation Bible School and Ss Peter & Paul Vacation Bible school created one banner to present to our friends who will visit August on 6. Deanna Chappie facilitated this project, with "art assistance" from Jill Bornhorst.

Total funds collected to be used for books in a library as of July 27, 2017 is **\$481.**

VBS @ SM collected \$ 141 | St Michael \$ 245 | Ss. Peter & Paul \$ 65 | Outside of Region \$ 30

San Cristobal has secured a \$300 donation from their Archdiocese of San Salvador for the library.

The youth of San Cristobal have collected 21 books.

Outreach Commission OVERVIEW

1. Mission Breakfast

2016 Aug. 28, 2016 8:30-12pm Sausage, Pancake, Eggs | Pilgrimage Sight @ 11a Mass, 6 visitors.

2. Formation

2015 Good News People (study)

Year of Mercy (Dec 8, 2015 - Nov 27, 2016)

2016 January 25, 2016 5:30-9pm One on the Journey" *A solidarity walk of Mercy*"

"Gather and Send" Begin formation in the Archdiocese

February 25, 26, 27 February "Encountering Mercy" Retreat

Salt and Light (5 weeks in October)

2017 March - Taste and See El Salvador,

Rice Bowl

Salt and Light (Sidney in Sept.)

3. Summer Solidarity Project (VBS – Last Sun of Aug)

- 2015 2 Computers for English Program | coloring pages for friends in el Salvador
- 2016 8+ computers for English Program” | coloring pages for children in San Cristobal
- 2017 The Right to Read and to Dream in El Salvador
Collecting for Books in 1st library in San Cristobal. At Vacation Bible School
a banner was made (both VBS) to present to Agustin and David in August 2017

4. Lent Outreach

Visit homebound, Nursing homes 2 or 3 weeks before Easter (not holy week, not first Friday, not week of reconciliation services)

5. Advent Outreach Visit homebound, Nursing homes 2nd Friday December

6. St Vincent de Paul

- 1st Response – Visit to those in need
- Food Pantry
- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- Casseroles for a Cause (& ladies)
- Gift Baskets (spring)
- Bundle Sunday - Mar & Sep

7. Catholic Relief Services

- CRS Rice Bowl (Lent)
- CRS Collection (week after Easter)

8. Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

- November 2016
- November 2017

9. Unbound Sponsorship (\$360 per year - per person)

- 2007-2017 Concepcion de La Luz (El Salvador)
- 2007-2017 Pablo Palachay Moreno (Bolivia)

10. Sister Parish Team

- 2015 Two computers for Spanish / English Program. Fr Orlando Visit
- 2016 Eight computers for English Program and Skype Meetings, Delegation to El Salvador
- 2016 Salvadorans Travel with Delegation June 3, 2016 (David, Fr Orlando, Maricela)
- 2017 Juan Gomez Missioner mission Appeal June 2017
David Mancia, Agustin Fernandez visit August 2-9, 2017
Collected for Library in San Cristobal

11. Cultural Immersion

- 2015 August - Fr Orlando Visit Ohio
- 2016 May 31 - June 7 El Salvador Delegation: Ann Bollheimer, Deanna Chappie, Paul Timmerman, Nick Poeppelman, Chuck Wray, Megan Bollheimer, Rachel Bollheimer, Diane Ruhenkamp, Hope Ruenkamp, Emily Holdheide, Janelle Bollheimer, Connie Kearns, Carol Verhoff Laura De Mange
- 2017 Aug 2-9 David Mancia (20yrs) and Agustin (32 yrs) will visit our pastoral region.
- 2018 May 29-June 7 Migration Delegation

2016 Mission Co-op Appeal Speaker

- 2016, July Kip Hargrave, Maryknoll Lay Missioner
- 2017, June 3-6, Juan Gomez Maryknoll Lay Missioner – parishioner of San Cristobal