

## Tri-parish Human Concerns Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. St. Joseph, Lyons

Minutes taken and submitted by Jacki Scholze

**Attendance:** Sue Laskowski, Fr. Ryan Ackmann, Terri Rasch, Dee Baumeister, Julie Koenen, Joyce Clapp, Rita VanSchyndel, Mary Ann Johnson, Dave Gapinski, and Jacki Scholze

The meeting began with prayer. Introduction and welcome of Dave Gapinski, President of Serra Club of Wisconsin Southern Lakes. Dave made a short presentation introducing the committee to the Serra Club including a brief history and purpose of the club. Serra Club currently is a small club that is organized and dedicated to promoting and supporting vocations in the diocese. Dave's contact information is [david.d.gapinski@gmail.com](mailto:david.d.gapinski@gmail.com). Phone: 920-723-3095. Outreach groups from our tri-parish are able to talk with him about supporting the Serra Club with donations.

### Old Business

- Brief review of October minutes. An updated contact list was provided. Home and Hospital Communion Ministry through our Pastoral Care continues to look for and train more volunteers. Fr. Ryan will bring Catholic Social Teaching ideas to the tri-parish Faith and Formation committee and suggested it might be possible to coordinate this with Pope Leo's birthday in some biblical group studies.

### New Business:

- Archdiocese introduced New Bereavement Ministry  
Susan L. McNeil, M.Div. [mcneils@archmil.org](mailto:mcneils@archmil.org) (414) 758-2214, Director, Dept. for Catholic Social Responsibility
- Fr. Ryan suggested Human Concerns may want to support Brew City Catholic Missionaries being led by a young woman of our tri-parish. Contact Fr. Ryan for her specific information.

### Committee Reports:

Outreach – St. Joseph reported on their Lenten project and their May meeting. All three parishes continue to report on their activity through bulletin reports.

Pro-Life –

TLC Meal Program

Love, Inc. Meal Program – Rita reports that the meal program is working well. Anyone wishing to join this effort can contact her.

Pastoral Care – Communion to homebound continues. The list of the elderly needing visits is growing as their health declines. A few new volunteers have come forward following pulpit invitations. It was suggested that this be done again prior to the time and treasure surveys. Coordinating training and mentorship can be done through the office and Fr. Ryan.

St. Vincent de Paul

Prayer Network

Catholic Teaching on Social Issues

Prison Ministry – Mary Ann Johnson stopped after another meeting to report briefly that this ministry is continuing to evolve.

### Additional information:

The Archdiocese of Milwaukee is hosting a retreat day for all those experiencing separation and divorce on **Saturday, October 18, 2025** from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Schoenstatt Retreat Center in Waukesha. The cost is \$50 (including lunch); financial aid is available. Contact Susan L. McNeil for more information. Closing prayer. Meeting adjourned. Julie Koenen and Dee Baumeister supplied a delicious dessert treat in appreciation for Jacki's leadership to this group.

### Next Meeting:

- Tuesday, October 7, 2025 at St. Joseph, Lyons 6:30-7:30 p.m.