

September 20, 2020

Christian Service Commission Meeting – September 15, 2020

Attendees- Mark Hepner, Deanna Pinks, Mary Ann Knight, Lorraine Devlin, Donna Allai, Heather B., Lucy Smedley and Pam Armiak

Opening Prayer-

Soup Kitchen –Update from Maria- Manna, Capuchin and Flat Rock Soup Kitchens have suspended volunteer services during COVID-19 and have pickup service only.

Food Pantry – Mary Ann reports that Community Lutheran and First Congregational churches are accepting donations but are only open for church activities. Community Lutheran is holding a faith formation drive, collecting canned goods.

Best Wishes for Ill & Military – Mary Ann reported that sixty-five (65) “Get Well” cards were distributed to ill parishioners.

Funeral luncheon – There were no funeral luncheon in August 2020 per Lorraine.

Creative Hands – Donna Allai and crew are making various garments for institutions in the downriver area. Darlene Hartman is spearheading a pillow case drive for Children’s Hospital.

Meals-on-Wheels Treats- No kitchen help was needed as pre-made meals were delivered to distribution drivers from trucks in the parking lot. “Thinking of you” cards were distributed randomly by CSC members. Treats for distribution in future meals will include: Halloween- Lorraine, Thanksgiving- Mary Ann and Christmas- Deana.

School Supply Drive- The Drive was cancelled due to the pandemic. The next projected drive is tentatively scheduled for Summer 2021.

Halloween Candy Drive- Capuchin Soup Kitchen- Capuchin is accepting individually wrapped candy donations. An announcement will be in the bulletin on September 27, followed by collection on the weekends of October 4, 11 and 18 and wrap up on October 20, 2020.

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St Aloysius Outreach Clothing Drive- St Aloysius is accepting new, packaged Men's T-Shirts and socks as well as gently used outer garments, hats and gloves. We will begin our annual drive mid-October through early November 2020.

Christmas Cookie Drive- Manna Soup Kitchen- On Hold per Maria

Christmas Giving Tree Project- There is a meeting with volunteers and staff during the week of September 15, 2020 to discuss logistics.

Father Ray Update- Fr Ray provided a written parish update to the CSC members.

Catholic Charities of SE MI- CSC is considering participating in the clothing and sundry drive initiated by CCSEM (Deacon Michael Chesley) to support the Wayne County Jail Chaplaincy organization. Update to follow.

CSC business cards- We are down to the last fifty (50) cards which are handed out to recipients of CSC services (Meals on wheels, treats, donation drives and misc. projects). A new order will be placed for additional card using, "You are in our thoughts" instead of "Best wishes". New cards are expected to be ordered before Christmas.

Closing Prayer- Prayer for Peace

Next meeting – October 20, 2020 @ 7:00PM