

MoM/HC Pro-life Meeting
12/2/22
6:30 PM

Attendance: Barbara Grundman (Zoom), Dann Grundman, Angela Schmollinger, Mary Ksiazek, Peggy Koecheler, Dick Forliti, Deacon Dennis, Gerald, John Gould (Zoom), Shirley Gerlach (Zoom), Tom Nevins, Tom Dunne, Lee Deidrich, Pat Loehlein (Zoom), Pam Turner (Zoom)

Opened with Prayer for Life

Deacon gives us a reflection for Advent

MN election did not go as we hoped.

Baby bottle distribution and collection - Mary reports that there were A LOT of baby bottles collected. Jacinta from WLCC will let us know how much was collected.

Movie night - November 18th

Father Stu

28 attendees

Fr. Philipe was able to speak for about 10 minutes about his journey

About \$262 collected to donate to Labore Society

When we have event, we have been asked to clean up super diligently wherever we host

- There may be additional things we're supposed to do that we don't know about for cleaning up Sirba Hall - Barbara will double check with Lucy/office

December 17th & 18th - Quarterly Letter-writing campaign and Coffee & Donuts

For Saturday, we should have some cookies to provide

Volunteers needed for helping - Ryn should put together signup genius

Don Parker - Legislative update

- Pro-abortion people in legislature gained net 1 seat in Senate and 2 seats in House
 - They intend to run PRO Act (Protect Reproductive Options), which would:
 - Legalize in MN up to birth
 - Eliminate the Unborn Victims of Violence Act
 - Goal is to have no legal recognition of an unborn child
- Postcard campaign
 - We need to go directly to the people of MN, everywhere
 - Appealing Minnesotans to call, write, email; essentially flood the legislature with our desire to remove the bill from introduction
 - We're making postcards that are pre-addressed to their legislators, sign, address, and mail them to legislatures.
 - We could educate the public on how extreme pro-abortionists are

- When staff members receive waves of postcards, letters, calls, emails, etc, there will be a buzz around the capitol about the call of the people.
- Catholic Conference is considering joining the card campaign - unconfirmed

Pro-Life Dinner

- Pam Turner
 - Helping organize a silent auction
 - Tom Dunne co-chairing silent auction committee
 - Btwn 12-15 baskets
- Idea to have companies purchase a table
- Mini goals:
 - 12 silent auction baskets
 - Half of tables be sponsored by companies (total of 18 tables could fit in Sirba Hall space)
 - Either have the companies send their own people or have them give back to others
 - Matching gifts
- There is magic in early sales - helps you to know what \$ you have to work with
- Tables of 6, 7, or 8 - price of table would be \$20 per ticket.
- Individual tickets (not full table) - price would be \$25 per ticket.
 - Dick and Dann agreed that the Knights of Columbus could buy a table
- The Speaker - Alana Mertz
 - \$500 speaker fee
 - We're paying for her flight
 - Volunteer opportunity to pick her up Friday night and drop her off Sunday morning.
- Mary was asked to reach out to Jacinta to come and give a 10-15 minute overview on the things that WLCC does to provide women and men in need. Jacinta cannot, but will find another MCCL rep to come in.
- From 5-6pm, there will be live music
 - Dick's brother plays the piano really well - Dick will ask him
 - Dann and band will play
 - We will ask Austin if he would be able to put some music together
- Meal
 - Spaghetti dinner - Little Venetian
 - Thank you to Dick for arranging that
 - Desserts - assorted plates of goodies - homemade and store-purchased alike
- Servers - combination of 8th graders & high school students
- Principal Mike will put the Pro-Life dinner in school newsletter to parents
- Also, Fr. Philipe working on getting a full page insert in the bulletin
- Volunteers needed for selling tickets

Financial

- \$2500 in Pro-Life account

- Motion made by Barbara that Pro-Life group covers the postage for the postcards for the MCCL campaign, at least in part
 - Per Don Parker, postage for postcards if \$0.44

Next meeting is January 2nd

- Idea to move to January 9th
 - Will need to check to be sure that Sirba Hall is open on January 9th

Closing Prayer - Prayer to End Abortion

Final blessing given by Deacon Dennis