

Christian Service Commission Meeting Minutes March 12, 2026

PRESENT: Kevin Baumler, Denise Brady, Maria Potter, Sandy Rogala, Toni Sheffield, Terri Thor

ABSENT: Ray Busuttil, John Michniak

Meeting opened with prayer at 1:10PM

Sandy Rogala moved to have the Minutes of the January 2026 meeting approved; seconded by Maria Potter. Minutes approved and accepted into record.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Blood Drive

Maria reported that the February 8th BD had the highest donor count ever; 59 donors/70 appointments. There were 6 walk ins. Next drive will be held on April 26th. There are 69 appointments with 24 booked already.

Funeral Lunch

Things are going well. As always we can use more donated desserts. The Funeral Lunch cupboard was recently cleaned out and reorganized.

Knights of Columbus

No official report but since Kevin was here and he is a Knight as well as the new St Vincent dePaul rep, he reported that the *Coats For Kids* collection in January was very successful; parishioners were very generous. He also noted that the Knights will be helping with the Bunny Lunch again this year.

St Vincent DePaul

Kevin Baumler is the new Rep for SvDP. The chapter also has a new President with Bobbie Mieczkowski taking over from Marsha Goode, who made the choice to resign from the position of President but still be an active member.

Kevin reported that since January they received 7 calls in total; 5 from St Edith and 2 were “twinning” calls with other local chapters. (Please note: Toni often gets calls that are from out of our area and directs the caller to the appropriate SvDP; there are more than 5 calls in a two month period pretty much always.) They gave gift cards to 4 Neighbors In Need (NIN) and from all of the calls helped a total of 12 people.

There will be a clothing drive the weekend of April 25/26 when the truck will be in the parking lot after each Mass for people to drop off their donations of **clothing**.

Gospel of Life

Thanks to the generous parishioners of St. Edith, the *Right to Life—Lifespan 37th Annual Baby Shower* collection needed two SUV's to deliver all the gifts to *Wee Care*. Karen Patrusso, Wee Care Director, said how thankful she was to St. Edith and it was one of the largest collections they have received from our parish.

The *Gospel Of Life* weekly Rosary at 6pm every Wednesday, has shortened the prayer time so anyone that wishes to go to the *Lent Soup Suppers* can do so. We will return to our regular prayer time after Easter.

Holiday Outreach

Lenten Almsgiving projects are going very well!

Parish Council

Very positive feedback from many parishioners regarding the automatic doors on the restrooms.

Reaction to having a Security Officer in the school has also had very positive feedback.

Restructuring is moving along with priests attending several informational/modeling meetings. Some parishioners will meet in March to review the models. There will be a *Listening Session* held here in June which will be open to all Parishioners where information will be given and Parishioners may ask any questions or state any concerns they may have.

Restructuring will take a year total and will go into effect in July 2027. *It is important to note that no plans are "set in stone" at this point in time; no one knows what the end result will be.*

Meeting closed with prayer at 2:05.

Next (and last until September) meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14th at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted by Toni Sheffield