

MARCH 2020 CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Emil, Beverly Jovan, Mary Ann Koelzer, Donna Lassaline, Mary Nakamura, Toni Sheffield

ABSENT: Denise Brady, Tony Carozza, Helen Ickes

The meeting opened at 7:05

Meeting minutes from the January 2020 meeting were approved.

FUNERAL LUNCH:

No report

GOSPEL OF LIFE

- *Right to Life—Lifespan Luminary Kits* were available the weekend of January 18-19, remembering the 47th Anniversary of Roe v Wade. All 150 kits were handed out and \$403 was donated to Right to Life/Lifespan.
- *Gospel of Life* Movie Night was February 19 with the movie *Unplanned*. Approximately 35 people attended the movie which was aired in the AV Room. Fred Eagle from the Knights of Columbus made popcorn and served pop. Lots of good discussion afterwards.
- *Right to Life—Lifespan 31st Annual Baby Shower* benefitting WeeCare is the weekend of March 7-8. 300 eggs with gift suggestions inside, were placed in the Lenten Giving Cradle and there are just a few left. Karen, from WeeCare will be picking up donations after the 11am Mass on March 8.
- *The Gospel of Life Rosary* will continue as usual throughout Lent but will finish up in time for anyone that wishes to attend the Lent Soup Suppers. All are welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL

In Denise's absence Sandy Rogala attended the February PC Meeting

- St. Edith is in the second wave of *Unleash the Gospel* from the Archdiocese.
- Unleash the Gospel kick off meeting for our Parish leaders is at the Seminary, March 10.
- Parish wide survey is being prepared by students in a graduate class at the University of Michigan. Their deadline for a rough draft to our parish is March 10. The top priority of this survey is to align with Unleash the Gospel and find out the needs of our parish.
- Our Lenten Soup Suppers will start March 4 and use the Dynamic Catholic Program, Best Lent Ever.
- New kitchen ovens are installed. The Knights of Columbus helped to make this possible.
- Next meeting is March 16, 2020.

MOPS

Currently have 85 members, 26 who are members of MOMSNext, 56 MOPS and 3 Mentor Moms. They are still looking for some Caregivers for their meetings and are planning to run an ad in the church bulletin.

A new MOPS Grief Support Group will begin meeting in March. The group is for members who have experienced loss and wish to support one another.

Meetings: The first MOPS meeting in March will include a craft and the second a rescheduled from January exercise meeting. Two members will lead them in exercise during the meeting.

In April they will only have one meeting due to Spring Break and Easter. The one meeting will be a fun trivia game meeting.

Philanthropy: In February they collected canned good for *Blessings In A Backpack*, an organization that works with Livonia Public Schools to provide food for students in need over the weekends/. In March the group will be making flannel blankets for Project Linus; a charity who provide blankets to children in the area who are seriously ill or in need.

On the horizon: Spring Mom 2 Moms Sale

KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

No report.

OUTREACH

Sort & Pack will be on Thursday, April 2 with Delivery day Saturday, April 4. Right now we are getting all our information on families participating in order.

This year, as last, we are doing a Lenten Almsgiving Project with collections of items for a different organization every weekend of Lent. Those organizations are: Lighthouse Mission, RTL/Lifespan Baby Shower, Hope Clinic, Seedlings Braille Books for Children, Vista Maria and Blessings In A Backpack

A NEW DAWN

They currently have 46 paid members and intend to keep going. They are setting up a Prayer Chain within the group. Currently they do not have a “leader” but Donna Lassaline volunteered to do a bio for the website.

PARISH NURSE

Continuing with regular bulletin articles; the spotlight for March will be Multiple Myeloma. Their next meeting is next week in the Christian Service Office; usually 3 people attend. Mary will be part of the BP screenings during Fish Fry. There will be a Health Fair on Sunday, April 26th, likely after the 11:00 Mass. All tests and information is free to anyone who attends.

OLD BUSINESS

Toni reminded everyone that they need to have a bio for the website/bulletin to her as soon as possible, with a photo. So far she has received two which she has forwarded to Mary Ann. Donna Lassaline and Mary Nakamura both said they will get their bio's to Toni ASAP; Denise Brady will turn hers in as soon as she's back in town, and Toni will talk to Helen and Tony about theirs and will take a photo of them since they weren't in attendance at the meeting. Mary Ann Koelzer was in attendance and took photos of Sandy, Donna and Mary for their bio's. Jenn Wilson (MOPS) already provided her photo

NEW BUSINESS

Toni reported that we will be doing an eyeglass collection for the Livonia Lions Club during the Month of May; collection bin will be in the Gathering Area

The meeting ended at 8:15 after everyone's photo shoot was complete!

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 5