

## NOVEMBER 2021 CHRISTIAN SERVICE REPORT

### A NEW DAWN

Nothing new to report; no one has yet stepped up to lead the group. Right now it is a “wait and see” situation.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights have purchased a new refrigerator for the Parish Office.

Our council continues to support St. Christine’s soup kitchen and pantry every Monday, Tuesday and Friday.

The Knights continue to look for fund raising activities to help support the Parish and the community.

Several Knights and family members assisted at the Meal Packing Event for *Kids Coalition Against Hunger*.

The Council had three men join the council in the month of October.

A special collection for “Coats for Kids” was held after each Mass on 10/30 & 10/31/2021

#### **Some upcoming events/activities:**

December 2nd to 5th Texas Holdem event at Vision Lanes.

Friday December 10th Knights Family Christmas Pot Luck Dinner

### GOSPEL OF LIFE

The AAAPRC BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN started October 16-17 with baby bottles given out at all masses with the help of our St. Edith Knights of Columbus. Baby Bottles are due back the weekend of November 13-14.

The Right to Life Christmas Card sale will be the weekends of November 20-21 and November 27-28.

Weekly Rosary on Wednesdays at 6pm is well attended by about 12 people a week.

### MOPS

Group has grown by 10 new members, and we continue to receive more inquiries about the group! Still in the process of filling some of our leadership positions for this upcoming year.

Have resumed in-person meetings at St. Colette this year on Friday mornings, twice a month; also added an evening table that will meet at a member’s house. Evening table has been a great success and has made it possible for working moms to be a part of the group.

Masks will be required for all members regardless of vaccination status. Masks are also required for children over the age of 2, and all caregivers. Will follow the same guidelines for the evening table.

#### **Upcoming MOPS & MOMSnext Meetings:**

**November** - The first meeting of the month will be doing a craft as a group, making decorative pumpkins. The second meeting will be discussing imperfect friendships.

**December** - First meeting they will be discussing the importance of sacred rest, and also taking the time to decompress together before the holidays begin; hope to have Fr. Jim come speak to them for their second meeting.

**Philanthropy:** Planning for PBJ boxes for the homeless during the month of December.

**On the Horizon:** Spring M2M sale

### OUTREACH

Plans are underway for Thanksgiving Outreach. Sort and Pack Day will be November 18 and Loading and Delivery Day will be November 20. A generous donor will be donating all of the Thanksgiving turkeys for our needy families this year.

**PARISH COUNCIL**

Our Family of Parishes consists of St Edith, St Collette, St Kenneth, and Our Lady of Victory and our official name is the “Pope Francis Family.” Fr. Jim is commissioned to be at St Edith for 6 more years.

We have yet to reach our CSA target of \$146,000. Currently we are \$46,000 behind this target. Parishioners can use the St Edith website link to the AOD website to pay electronically.

The proposed parish survey has been edited from last year to make it more relevant. No decision has been made when to have parishioners take it.

Mass attendance in October 2021 has remained about the same as May 2021. Discussion was held how to encourage parishioners to return to church, especially for Christmas.

Pizza Night and Spaghetti Dinner Night are currently on hold and will be reconsidered monthly.

**MISC**

Our candy collection for Sacred Heart Seminary was a huge success! Seminarian Steve left St Edith with just enough room for him to sit and drive his car; the rest was packed!