

September 2021 Christian Service Commission Meeting Minutes

Since not a lot goes on during the summer months with any of our groups, we opted for a virtual meeting for September. We plan to meet in person in November. Reports received are as follows:

GOSPEL OF LIFE

Continue to have 10-12 people attend our weekly Rosary on Wednesdays.

Baby Bottle Campaign to benefit AAA Pregnancy Resource Center will be held again this year. Bottles can be picked up the weekend of October 16-17 in the Gathering Area and be returned the weekend of Nov. 13-14.

A NEW DAWN

Will take it month to month deciding when to begin meeting at St Edith again; could not meet in September due to kitchen renovation. May start to meet off site during the day but nothing has been decided as of yet.

FUNERAL LUNCH

Nothing to report since we haven't started them back up yet.

OUTREACH REPORT

Current plans are to resume the parish Outreach program this fall.

PARISH COUNCIL

After having a summer break, the Parish Council will have its first meeting September 14.

MOPS

Currently have about 50 Members registered for this upcoming year. 24 who are MOMSNext, and 26 MOPS; also have 3 mentor moms.

Still in the process of filling some of our leadership positions for this upcoming year.

Resuming in-person meetings at St. Colette this year on Friday mornings, twice a month; also have added an evening table that will meet at a member's house.

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. We will follow the same guidelines for the evening table.

Upcoming MOPS & MOMSnext Meetings:

September - The first meeting of the year will be on September 17th. We will be discussing this year's theme, All for Love.

October - Our first meeting we will be discussing managing anxiety. Our second meeting for the month we will have a speaker to present on managing stress and building resilience in children.

Philanthropy: Planning for candy bags for Villa Marie residents close to Halloween.

On the Horizon: Spring M2M sale

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Donated funds to the school to help cover the cost of the purchase 8 sinks for the school bathrooms (to work with new touchless faucets for which a grant was received).

Have agreed to provide up to \$1500 to St Edith Church for the purchase of a new refrigerator for the Parish Office.

Had a great turnout to help with the setup/tear down and cooking and serving at the Parish Picnic.

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

Planning a *Knights Family Picnic* after the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday September 11th to be held on the Parish Patio.

Continue to look for fund raising activities to help support the Parish and the community.

Some upcoming events/activities:

Saturday September 18th Corporate Communion at 5:00 Mass. Dinner at Restaurant afterward.

Saturday October 2nd Meal Packing Event for Kids Coalition Against Hunger in Church Hall from 9:00 to 11:30am

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

Friday December 10th Knights Family Christmas Pot Luck Dinner

NEW BUSINESS

Denise put Toni in touch with new parishioner Dave Gauvin, to promote a new volunteer opportunity with The Wave Project, a portable shower ministry for the homeless, each Saturday at The Wellness Center in Detroit. Article placed in the bulletin and info on the Volunteer page of the St Edith Website

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 2nd at 7PM