

8/13/2015 RESPECT LIFE MINUTES

In Attendance: Becky Nash, Sharon Slomski, Shirley Raausch, Christine Wehrs, Monica Mutchler

-Monica opened the meeting with a prayer and shared a short exercise from Aaron Matthew Weldon of USCCB

-Mission Statement—Becky will bring one the next meeting to discuss.

UPDATES

-Blood Drive-Sharon presented her research. Available sources are the Red Cross and Community Blood Center located in Woodruff. We would be responsible for the appointments, publicity, etc. A minimum number is needed. Discussion ensued on how we would do this, etc. Decided for now might be complicated. Other groups hold blood drives—The YMCA and Emmanuel Lutheran Church were mentioned. It was suggested that we could assist another group. Becky will check with Health and Wellness. Shirley will contact Emmanuel Lutheran for details, #'s, frequency and other information.

-Posters-We will use “Each of us is a Master Piece of God’s Creation” from the usccb.org website. Chris will design a poster to combine the three images into one. Becky checked with staff and it is requested that we use scotch tape and to tape it right on top of the poster versus rolling and putt the tape on back.

-“Respect Life” Flyer for bulletin-Chris made a sample flyer and will modify it to reflect suggested changes.

-Abortions Door County-Zero as Ministries Door County and Door County Memorial Hospital do not allow abortions. In the past Planned Parenthood did not do abortions in Sturgeon Bay but referred them to Appleton. Information supplied by Door County chapter of Wisconsin Right to Life.

-Spiritual Adoption-The committee expressed their enthusiasm for this. The pastor at Emmanuel Lutheran Church and other parish members think it is a wonderful idea. After much discussion on how to implement, it was decided to take small steps and do it within our group and with others who might be interested. Monica will bring pledge cards to the next meeting. Monica will also take to the next CSR meeting.

-Movie Night-Monica will follow-up. After discussion with Linda-below-follow up is not needed.

-Education-Linda Cummer was able to attend part of the meeting. She mentioned that it is difficult for the Faith Formation attendees to attend a nightly program. However “Bella” will be shown at the November 11 and 18 classes and she will do follow up in conjunction with the movie. Also will participate in the Spiritual Adoption. Linda took a number of the pamphlets to have available for the classes.

- End of Life Issues-Alice sent dates for two upcoming programs.

NEW BUSINESS

-Diaper Drive-The CSR Committee asked if we would take charge of the Diocesan-wide Diaper Drive. Of course we will! Chris is making a flyer to attach to boxes we will place in the various church sites. BH-Shirley, J-Shirley; SB-Sharon; FC-Alice; EH-maybe Jim Slomski? Monica will put notice in bulletin.

-Respect Life Sunday-Kathy Sedan usually handles this. Monica will check with her to see if there is anything we can do. Becky will make sure the "Respect Life" flyer (thank you Chris) is inserted in the Respect Life Sunday bulletin.

-Stella Maris Website-We are able to establish the Respect Life committee on the website and post any information, dates of meetings, etc. Monica will follow up.

-www.40days for life.com--September 23-November 1.

-Gospel of Life-Available online at Vatican website.

NEXT MEETING September 17, 2015 8:45 AM

Respectfully Submitted

Monica Mutchler