

July 12, 2016- Sister Bay 9:00 AM CST-or via phone conferencing

Minutes-Respect Life Committee

In Attendance: Chris Wehrs, Sharon Slomski, Becky Nash, Shirley Raasch, Monica Mutchler
Joyce Charney was here for the shower.

Meeting was opened with a prayer and reading of the Stella Maris Mission Statement, Stella Maris Vision Statement and The Respect Life Mission Statement.

Review of Minutes from June 12, 2016 Meeting.

UPDATES- OLD BUSINESS:

-Spiritual Adoption Parish Wide-Chris W,

-Chris has not heard from the Diocese regarding the Monica Meyer Grant for Respect Life- in the amount of \$450.00 to be used for printing materials and will follow up.

-Chris presented the time line for rolling out the program to start the weekend of October 1 and 2 and all it entails. She has been in touch with Kathy Sedan regarding songs, offertory, etc.

-Becky Nash will present this to the homebound and the residents at Scandia the 1st Thursday of September.

-There was a discussion as to the format, size, etc. of the pledge and prayer cards to use.

-We will take time at the August meeting to finalize dates, etc. And to accept our assignments!

-Thank you Chris!

-Phone Conferencing for Meetings—Dial 641-715-3580 554-359 –

UPCOMING EVENTS:

-ROSARY FOR LIFE--Every 2nd Tuesday, Baileys Harbor, Noon—“Your Prayers are Needed”

-Respect Life Meetings-August 9, September 13, October 11, and November 8. 9 am Sister Bay

NEW BUSINESS:

-Sharon Slomski announced that due to health reasons she will no longer be able to be a part of our committee. You will be missed. Thank you for all you have done for this ministry.

-CSR has allocated \$200.00 for Respect Life expenditures for the fiscal year July 1, 2016-June 30, 2017

-Respect Life Bulletin Articles-Becky has submitted one article for the July 9/10 bulletin and one for the August 27/28 bulletins.

-Dismas Ministry-

-St. Michael's Altar Society-Helps GED program for inmates at the **Door County Jail**

-Shirley R.- Shared her experiences with the **End of Life Ministry** at Scandia. Contact the chaplain Joy at Scandia if interested in joining this ministry.

-Alice-It was decided to wait for Alice's participation to discuss the **Restorative Justice** articles

-Spiritual Adoption Shower-Our babies names are Christian, Ann, Michael, Anna, Sidd, Asha, Richard, Antonio, Anthony and of course Leonardo.

NEXT MEETING

August 9, 2016 Sister Bay 9 AM -- Or Call 641-715-3580 554-359

CLOSING PRAYER

Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life.

Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain and suffering.

Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living.

Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need. And teach us to be merciful to all.

Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen