

Christian Service and Responsibility Committee Meeting Minutes – February 7, 2017

In attendance: Wayne Kudick, Jan Liss, Becky Nash, Barb Pasquesi, Steve Schultz, and Maggie Ter Horst

Jan opened the meeting with the Discipleship Prayer #4. Followed by a discussion of the discipleship values of Prayer and Joy.

The minutes of November 16, 2016, were accepted with no additions or corrections.

Budget report: We are ahead with donations to the CSR: Last year at approximately this time we had received \$3050 in donations; this year we are at \$3350 in donations. We currently have \$3000.00 available for allocation. It was decided to send \$1000.00 to Stella Maris Parish in Tanzania for them to move forward on a myriad of projects that they have. World Mission Services/Catholic Foundation will receive \$1000.00; the remaining \$1000.00 is on hold for a future designation. Two choices were discussed: the ALICE project or Door-Tran. The Lakeshore CAP program, to whom we make a contribution, functions under a number of programs. We decided that the CSR contribution would be specific to the Housing program.

Updates:

Saint Vincent de Paul—Greg: Conference meeting held on November 17, 2016. Since November 15, 2016, 45 calls for help were received. Nearly 40 of them resulted in home visits. Donations of \$3950 were accepted in December. This includes \$300.00 annual contribution from CSR. Funds totaling \$1867.00 were distributed to clients in January. No additional donations were received in January. As a result, we have requested \$2000.00 in additional funding from SVdP District Office in Green Bay. Asking for volunteers to help at the conference day of volunteering at the East Side Store as most of our membership is out of the county. Contact Greg Berezewski for information.

Health and Wellness—Barb: The new Parish Nurse, Bonnie Mirkiewicz, is now on board.

Loaves and Fishes: Numbers are consistent and doing well.

Respect for Life—Monica: The Respect for Life Committee met via phone in December and January. We continue to pray, discuss pertinent articles, and read. Spiritual adoption flyers are monthly bulletin inserts. Spiritual adoption posters are on all bulletin boards. USCCB 'Respect Life' articles are bi-monthly bulletin inserts. Planning a sock drive for the homeless. Members will distribute prayer cards after Masses weekend of January 21 and 22. The prayer is read at every meeting.

Mission trip—Jan: A mission trip is planned to the Salvatorian Warehouse in New Holstein on February 9. An Appalachian trip and a trip to the Dominican Republic/Haiti are being considered through other organizations. We will see if there is interest in joining these groups.

CARE 24/7 Food Pantry—Steve: An application to Feeding America has been done. This will provide a source of product at \$.19/lb. or \$19.00/100 lbs. This will be a great source of product as the shelves are being emptied regularly, a definite need for the pantry. The committee will discuss shelving, and a rack for pamphlets and brochures as a resource for those in need of community services.

On Care of Our Common Home—Wayne: Points covered in the report of "On Care of Our Common Home" are – the New Year's Green Resolution Bulletin Insert and Pulpit announcement to preview

Celebrate Earth Week, April 22 – 29; the Holy Book Club Green Book Bibliography; the Men's Bible Study proposal- Select Green Environmental excerpts; Interfaith "Caring for Creation" Declaration in consort with Celebrate Earth Week; "On are of Our Common Home" joins Celebrate Earth Week Plan Team, (\$500 anonymous donation for Tree purchase matching grant campaign); "Wild Ones" presentation to Catholic Women's March meeting; Request to participate in Liturgical Planning for Lent and Easter; Upcoming Interfaith Workshop on Climate Change and the Churches Moral Responsibilities for Action on September 16, 2017, led by Steven Coleman and Debra Schneider.

Leadership Team – Jan and Becky: Discipleship training on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 – Burning Hearts, Discipleship of Prayer.

Conversation Partners – Becky: Transition into program; ELL instructor is Amy Russell who has many new and good ideas to implement in this program. Meeting at Casa Alba Melanie, resource center in Green Bay.

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Hunger Walk report by Jeanne will have details to follow.

The Reverse Advent Calendar was successful.

Jan reported she is working with a Gibraltar High School senior who must complete a senior project. The student has chosen to do a food collection for Feed My People. The student is a Stella Maris parishioner.

The meeting closed with prayer.

The next meeting will be held March 21, 2017, at Stella Maris, Sister Bay site at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Ter Horst, secy. Pro tem