

HUMAN CONCERNS COMMITTEE MEETING

May 10, 2016

Present: JoAnn Presta, Mary Kral, Judy Dougherty, Mary Kay Lammers, Marlene Vlosak, Sue Boivin, Theresa Miresse

PARISH EDUCATION AND AWARENESS FOR MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS/YEAR OF MERCY:

(Refer to schedule at the end of Minutes)

Discussion of May, June, July, August bulletin cover and articles, website, HC Mercy table in Gathering Space and bulletin board highlighting ministries and Mercy actions for each month. On the 2nd Sunday of the month, we need people to be at the table.

May (Bury the Dead): Mercy Table set for weekend of May 21/22, 6pm mass (Theresa Miresse), 8:30 mass (JoAnn Presta, Marlene Vlosak)

Bereavement: Ministry table needs for May 21/22: Volunteers sign up for Bereavement committee members, bakers needed for funerals. Provide information to parishioners who would like to have a mass said in honor of a loved one. Provide care notes on the table.

Funeral luncheons/Dinner: Volunteers needed to help provide/serve funeral luncheons/dinners.

June (Forgive offenses): Emphasis on Reconciliation

July (Drink to the Thirsty): Kettle Moraine Food Pantry reverse food collection, Reformation Lutheran (SALT program)

Ministry table in July: Contact Vera Switalski for volunteer needs for the Kettle Moraine Food Pantry. Contact Deb Schneider for needs for SALT program to be held at Reformation Lutheran.

August (Counsel the doubtful): Respect Life, Elizabeth Ministry

Ministry table in August, Mary Kay will provide baby bottles and a copy of the prolife ad parishioners contributed to earlier this year. Invite Cathy Treutelaar to the August HC Committee meeting to share her work on the Elizabeth Ministry and see if she has additional needs for volunteers, etc.

MINISTRY UPDATES:

Peru collection: used/usable eyeglasses, reader glasses, canes collected in April. Box for glasses will be kept in the coat room off the Gathering Space. Peru Mission Team going to St. Clare Community in June. There will be a blessing of the team at mass right before they depart. The team could use more donations of large suitcases to transport donated items. THANK YOU DEB PASSINO, CHARLIE SPINDT and team!

Work & Pray: Prayer shawls being created, join us in May and again in the fall

FINANCIALS:

Casa Maria, St. Ben's: (monthly) groceries purchased from funds for Loaves and Fishes.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Job descriptions for ministries-be thinking about this for future. This will include job descriptions for volunteer positions. Human Concerns Ministry events that could include participation with Knights of Columbus. The two groups could work collaboratively on an event.

Capuchin's 5K Run-1 mile Walk for the Hungry – 6/17/16. An announcement will be placed in the bulletin.

Pictures of Jubilee Year of Mercy events/actions needed by November. Pictures needed of human concerns ministries carrying out their work. Ministry Chairs can submit any photos to Mary Kral.

Goals for next year 2016-2017: Assess at the August meeting if we should keep the Ministry table going one weekend a month, beyond the Jubilee Year of Mercy, to bring awareness to the ministries and to continue to reach out for new volunteers.

Invite new members to be part of the Human Concerns committee.

September, plan to attend Sunday mass as a group at St. Michael's for the Feast of St. Michael's. A beautiful mass takes place there for the feast Day of St Michael.

Parish Dinner Auction: Human Concerns Committee members contributed items and monetary donations to provide two baby themed baskets for the dinner auction.

June meeting will take place at 6:30 pm on June 14th in the galleria. Plan to invite all ministry chairs. HC committee members volunteered to bring various light refreshments.

Strategic Planning: committees continue to work on the strategic plan

Pastoral Council update: no report

CLOSING PRAYER

Next Meeting: June 14th, 6:30 pm in the Galleria (Yearend wrap-up and appreciation social with Ministry Chairs)

Notes taken by: Judy Dougherty

Human Concerns Committee Secretary

2016 YEAR OF MERCY HUMAN CONCERNS ACTION SCHEDULE:

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Month	Work of Mercy	Human Concerns Ministry	Mercy Table
January	Shelter the homeless	Casa Maria St. Michael's Hope Center	January 23/24
February	Feed the Hungry	Loaves and Fishes -Kettle Moraine Food Pantry -St. Bens -Easter Meal Baskets	February 13/14
March	Visit the Imprisoned	Prayers	March 12/13
April	Comfort the Afflicted	Hospital/Home Ministry Nursing Home- Rosary Wed. Peru Home Communion Mt. Meru Coffee	April 9/10
May	Bury the Dead	Bereavement	May 14/15
June	Forgive offenses willingly and bear wrongs patiently	Emphasis on Reconciliation	June 11/12
July	Give Drink to the Thirsty	Kettle Moraine Food Pantry Ref. Lutheran (SALT program)	July 9/10
August	Counsel the Doubtful	Respect Life Elizabeth Ministry	August 13/14
September	Clothe the Naked	Free clothing Exchange Sew for the Needy Heavenly Babies Giving Tree	September 10/11
October	Visit the Sick	Hospital/Home Ministry	October 8/9
November	Pray for the Living and the Dead	Bereavement	November 12/13

Notes: "* Giving Tree: Multiple Mercy Actions

First Sunday of each month: Bulletin cover, Pastor's Pen, petition at mass specific to one of our parish ministries.

Second Sunday of each month: Mercy table in Gathering Space, bulletin articles about the ministries