

**Pastoral Care Commission Minutes Tuesday, March 5, 2019**

APPROVED

Present: Barbara Basche, Bobbie Browne, Deacon Jerry Coenen, Paula Gloe, Jackie Krajewski, Jerry Leisgang, Marlene Smith, Barb Staudenmaier, Ruth Stoeckigt and Susan Straubel

Absent: Judy Hrubesky, Kathy LaLuzerne, Ellen Moran

Guests: Mike Charles

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of February Minutes: Minutes were approved. Susan Straubel made the motion to approve the minutes and Marlene Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed

Agenda was approved with the addition of 5 additional items that Paula passed out on a separate sheet at the meeting. Ruth Stoeckigt made a motion to accept the agenda and Barb Staudenmaier seconded the motion.

**Old Business:**

1. New Community Shelter Meal: Jerry Leisgang reported that 175 people were served at the February 25, 2019 meal. The March 22 meal will be handled by Gary Janssen and Knights of Columbus 617.
2. Valentine Party for Young at Heart-Thursday, February 14, 2019 9:00 AM. Paula reported that the set-up went well the day before the event. 65 people had registered but only approximately 48 came as there were weather issues. Added agenda item: rt. Pat Thank You – Paula said that Sr. Pat wanted to thank the commission for all of their help in making this event a success.
3. March – 40 Cans of Lent. This begins on Wednesday, March 6. Easter is April 21<sup>st</sup>. Rod Klingbeil from the Knights of Columbus stated (through Jerry L.) that they will pick up, count and deliver all food items to the pantry for the Lenten season. Paula/Laurie will put info in bulletin. Box setups include: St. Pat's – Ellen Moran, St. Jude – Ruth Stoeckigt, Annunciation – Jerry Leisgang, St. Joe's – Marlene Smith. Jerry will update on Knights food collection at April meeting.

**New Business:**

1. 1. Booklet for new parishioners. Paula attended a Think Tank meeting on Feb. 26, 2019 along with Becky and other newer Quad-Parish members to discuss new member needs. She feels the project is in good hands and that it won't be a primary concern of this commission going forward.
2. A&A Alexandrina Center, LTD. Annual Spring Gala and Fundraiser. Friday, April 26, at the Tundra Lodge in Green Bay – Paula gave the church office flyers to put up at the churches. This center has been around for 27 years helping women in crisis.
3. 3. USCCB – 7 Principles of Catholic Social Teaching – handout. Paula met with Becky VanKauwenberg. She reviewed with us the Diocese website and handed out a printout of material regarding Pastoral Care Parish Self-Study. <https://www.gbdioc.org/departments/catholic-charities/living-justiceadvocate.html>. Paula requested that each of us complete this self-study handout by the April meeting and bring it along to discuss.
4. Deacon Jerry meeting with speaker from St. Norbert College:-Deacon Jerry and Jerry Leisgang met with Robert Pyne, Director of the Norman Miller Center for Peace, Justice & Public Understanding at St. Norbert College. It was a good meeting. The center will provide the Quad-parishes with resources on social justice issues. St. Norbert students will put together a social justice topic every two months and will speak on the issue for the Quad-Parishes. They also talked about how the center could perhaps provide resources to the Hope Center including perhaps providing resources on teaching English as a second language.
5. April Mass of Anointing – Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 1 PM at Annunciation- Contact Sr. Ann Marie if you are able to volunteer at this event.
6. Paula provided information to contact Senator Tammy Baldwin on legislation S.130 Born Alive Abortion Survivors and send her a message about protecting babies born alive.
7. Mike Charles – St. Vincent De Paul- Mike Charles came to our meeting to present information on St. Vincent De Paul as an organization and the potential for volunteer opportunities. He gave a brief history, explained what they do. Mike is president of the St. Jude St. Vincent De Paul conference with serves St. Jude and St. Patrick parishes. In 2018 they did 192 home visits. There are 3 thrift shops locally that bring in around 3 million dollars per year. This money is used to fund their activities including home visits, providing resources, a scholarship program, House of Hope where young mothers with children can stay for up to 8 weeks, funding the Getting Ahead program as part of the Bridges Out of Poverty program, and providing household items and money depending on needs. Mike wanted us to be aware of what they do so that, as a commission, that we may be able to find ways of working closer with them in the future. Deacon

Jerry also suggested that Mike reach out to Robert Pyne at the St. Norbert Center to see if there are students could be involved in volunteer work as part of their studies.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Bobbie Browne made the motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Ruth Stoeckigt. Motion passed

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 2, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Basche