

## **St. Bruno Human Concerns Committee Meeting**

**September 13, 2016**

**7:15 PM**

**Attending:** Tom Parulski–chair, Lynn Haugner, Sue James, Sharon Burt,

**Absent/Excused:** Betty Igl, Eileen Rudnick- PC Liaison

### **1. Opening Prayer ( Daily Prayer of Mother Teresa)**

### **2. Old Business:**

**a. Baby Bottle Collections for Lifeline Ministry** – Sue James reported that Lifeline is collecting money for pro-life organizations on the weekend of October 22/23. Tom Parulski said that his wife Jane is getting bottles from Pro-Life Wisconsin. The contributions will be split between Pro-Life Wisconsin and Life Connection in Mukwonago. Sharon Burt added that Life Connection(LC) gives little booties to mothers contemplating abortion, so our Prayer Shawl Ministry is making little booties for this purpose. Sharon suggested that we consider inviting a speaker from LC to come to St. Bruno's. We thought that the speaker could also be co-sponsored by Adult Ministry. Sue James will talk to Mary Kral about this idea. St. Paul's celebrates pro-life in January, the anniversary month of Roe vs Wade, so a pro-life speaker could be invited for October or January.

**b. Thanksgiving Food Drive** – Sue has the Thanksgiving Food Drive all organized for this year. St. Vincent DePaul will distribute grocery bags with lists of needed items on November 12/13. Food will be delivered to the food pantry by volunteers on November 25.

**c. Communication with Ministries** – Tom forgot to email the leaders of Human Concerns Ministries prior to this September meeting. The plan suggested at our May meeting was that Tom email each ministry chair before each HCC meeting and ask if they have anything to report. He will try to send emails before our next meeting.

### **3. New Business:**

**a. New PC Liaison** – Eileen Rudnick is our new PC liaison.

**b. October Respect Life Month** – Lifeline would like permission to hang banners, like past years. Tom asked if this request needs to go through the Pastoral Council, Fr. Chuck, or other staff.

**c. Giving Tree** – We discussed the groups to support through this project. As in the past, we will support St. VDP, St. Ben's, and the Christ Child Society. Sharon will investigate Family Promise of Waukesha County as our fourth charity. She will also inquire about homeless shelters for women and children (Sienna House?). St. VDP reports that there is currently a greater need for gas cards than grocery cards, so we will communicate this to donors. Final plans will be made at our next meeting on November 8.

d. **Other:** Sharon called our attention to a fundraising event this weekend for Owen Fout's family. Owen is the disabled grandson of parish members John and Susan Kastner. Our parishioners are asked to contribute to a bake sale on Sunday, September 18.

**Next Meeting – Nov. 8**

**Closing Prayer 8:35 PM**

Submitted by Lynn Haugner