Prince of Peace Catholic Community Helping Hands Committee Meeting Notes Date: Monday, May 13, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tammy Carley, Carol Fredrickson, Carol Herman, Mary Kollross, Lori Lessmiller, Vicki Sachs, Bernie & Karen Skaletski, Debbie Tilot, Glen Tilot, Linda Walker Excused: Becky Collar, Mary Eckert, Chad Fameree, Donna Kapinos, Dawn Konop, Emilyn Koslowski, Angie Lamack, Emily Myrda, Jo Ann Vandenbush Guest: Gary Walker

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. with an opening prayer.

Updates

Garden Of Goodness - Bernie Skaleski will plant when the weather and soil is ready, probably in the next two weeks. The first notice asking for volunteers was in the May 5 bulletin and will continue. Red will also prepare a paper sign-up sheet for the back of church encouraging members to volunteer. Red will also notify Bernie with the volunteer signups.

Blood Drive - The April 9 drive was held at the VFW and everything well. The next drive scheduled for June 4 will be returning to the Prince of Peace site.

NEW Shelter - The Easter Sunday Night dinner went well. The next meal is scheduled for September 29.

Love Life Collection/Baby Bottle Collection

The May Collection did not happen due to facility space issues and we will address helping this organization again in the future. We received a late request to assist Catholic Charities with their Baby Bottle Collection. They did most of the pre-work and the set up for the display was very small. Thanks to the church staff and committee members, we were able to get this up and running. We are the pilot church for this new program which will run through Father's Day weekend.

Advent by Candlelight – While it's still very early in the year, it's never too early to think about planning. It brought up at the meeting to consider Love Life as a recipient of the event.

Preble Hive – This year's back to school collection will run from August 16-26. Dusti Evans, Preble Social Worker, will be speaking after the masses this coming weekend.

Upcoming Events - Committee Members were encouraged to attend the Ribbon Cutting 7:30 a.m. and the Holy Hour with Dcn. Jeff at 6:00 p.m. May 22. The weekend of June 1-2, we will be celebrating Fr. Ryan's 50th Anniversary and birthday. Helping Hands Ministry will present him with a card and, the Grand Opening is scheduled for June 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Future Meetings – It was determined that we would continue to meet during the summer and Mary will update the and notify the office for space. In the event no issues need to be discussed, Mary will notify everyone of the cancellation. That being said, our next meeting will be June 10 at 6:30 p.m.

Mission Work - Mary Prickette is speaking with the Deacons's wives about getting back into our Mission Work. She will update us periodically. Lori Lessmiller was made aware of this in the event she would have to pull her sewing team back together.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 7:30 with a closing prayer.

Any other decisions/announcements/cancellations will come via email from Mary Kollross

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