

Corpus Christian Service Commission

Minutes of Meeting,

School Library, February 7, 2018

Members present: Mary Ann Benjamin, Kathy Brown, Judy Reif, Jan Slezak, Cheryl Sursely, Judy Wisniewski.

Excused: Nancy Baker. **Absent:** Maria Rasmer, Barb Abeare. **Staff:** Sr. Joann Plumpe.

Handouts: Agenda; Information on tithing: Tithing History for past year; Suggested guidelines.

Prayer by Sister Joanne. **January minutes** were approved without any corrections.

Old Business.

- **St. Vincent DePaul.** Jan reported activity for January: Volunteer hours, 121; 56 food requests (37 pickups, 15 deliveries, 4 no shows); 156 clients served (104 adults, 52 children, 6 new clients); value of food given, \$5,050; 52 vouchers given out valued at \$665. Requests from clients who are consistent “no shows” are suspended for one year.
- **Giving Tree.** Sr. Joann reported money donations left of over were split with ½ going to Vincent De Paul and ½ going to the Christmas Kindness program in Gladwin for help they provide year around.
- **Opiate Presentation.** Will take place Wednesday, March 21, 6:30 p.m. in the church worship space. Flyers are available and will be distributed the week of February 19 to all area churches, schools, colleges, hospitals, clinics, etc. Members were encouraged to “Spread the Word”.

New Business.

- **Tithing.** Sister Joann reported to members that the Christian Service Commission has been asked to choose the organizations that will receive Corpus Christi tithes. The percentage will be 2%. Choices will be made in September, January and May for the next four months. June will be left open. The Women’s Center was chosen for February and Beacon of Hope for March. Notice will be put in bulletin with information on each organization receiving a tithe.
- **Tool Project for St. Luke’s N.E.W. Life Center.:** Jan reported St. Luke’s Center had started classes for men (and women) teaching them how to use tools to make build and repair things. When they complete the course, they would like to present each client with a bag of basic tools. Jan suggested that this might be a project in which we could participate. Members agreed and it was suggested that we have such a collection in late May or early June. Tools can be new or used, but should be in fairly good condition.
- **Bunny Hugs** will begin February 24/25.
- **Beacon of Hope** fundraiser “Sweet Beginnings” will take place on Thursday, April 19, 7 p.m.
- **Good Samaritan Rescue Mission.** Sue Vogl has represented Corpus Christi Parish at **GSRM** meetings for the past two years and asked if Christian Service Commission could find a replacement for her. They have a dinner meeting four times a year and our representative would bring information of their activities back to our parish.
- **Judy** reported to Parish Council.
- **Next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 14, 6:30 in the school library.** Maria Rasmer will provide opening prayer and will report to parish council.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. Members then worked on gift tags for the Bunny Hugs collection.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Wisniewski, Secretary