

Corpus Christi Christian Service Commission  
Minutes of Meeting, January 10, 2018  
School Library, 6:30.

**Members present:** Barb Abeare, Nancy Baker, Mary Ann Benjamin, Kathy Brown, Judy Reif, Jan Slezak, Cheryl Sursely, Judy Wisniewski. **Excused:** Maria Rasmer. **Staff:** Sr. Joann Plumpe, Excused.

**Handouts:** Minutes of November 2017 meeting, draft of poster for Community Seminar on opiates to be held at Holy Trinity Church on Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

**Minutes of November Meeting.** Approved without any corrections.

**Old Business.**

- **St. Vincent DePaul.** Jan reported activity for November and December: Volunteer hours, 191; 116 food requests (75 pickups, 39 deliveries, 4 no show); 332 clients served (226 adults, 106 children, 13 new clients); value of food given, \$11,660; 110 vouchers given out valued at \$1,380.
- **Helen Nickless Volunteer Medical Center.** Judy reported that our parish will be providing meals for the volunteers on March 21, August 29 and October 17 this year.
- **Giving Tree Update.** Sister Joann left the following report on the Giving Tree: Response was remarkable; more than 300 gifts were provided for needy children in the Gladwin area plus a large box of warm gloves, scarves and hats. Gifts were provided for 34 individuals in Bay City and \$3,250.30 was collected in donations (balance of donations not used, \$1,439.20). An estimated 40+ parishioners were actively involved in carrying out the project. **Comments from parishioners and responses:** Wanted more gifts for younger children, too expensive requests made by older children (can purchase a gift certificate instead of gift); provide gifts for area closer to the parish (have put forth requests for nearby families and have had very little response. In our Diocese, the Gladwin area is where there is the most need). Value of individual gifts (gifts should be kept somewhere in the \$25 range so all children in a family receive a gift of somewhat equal value.)
- **Opiate Community Seminar.** Will be held Wednesday, March 21, in Holy Trinity Church worship space from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Fliers will be distributed to area churches of all denominations, area colleges and high schools.
- **Comments on "Rebuilt".** Keep reading beyond Chapter 6. Improving ways to get our youth involved in more of the church ministries were brought up at our last meeting and was discussed again.
- **Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 7 at 6:30 in the School Library.** Nancy will provide opening prayer and report to the Parish Council.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Wisniewski, Secretary