

DIVINE CHILD CHURCH
CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, February 8, 2016

OPENING PRAYER: Fr. John Kopson opened the meeting at 6:30 thanking God for our Catholic faith and giving us the courage to evangelize our faith with others through our Christian Service endeavors; followed by the "Our Father".

MARYLOU'S COMMENTS:

- When we are planning a Christian Service event, please be sure to confirm the date with Marilyn to alleviate any scheduling issues.
- Capuchin "On The Rise" Rope Bakery on February 6/7 was a success.
- Next St. Pat's Senior Center Meal on March 6, 2016.

ATTENDEES: Fr. John Kopson, Marylou Jansen, Andi Fron, Janet Carnevale, Connie Zavistowski, Janet Laliberte', Bernadette Dzieciuch, Mary Tomilo, Cindy Gauvin, and Freda Bova.

FR. JOHN UPDATE/COMMENTS:

- Faith Formation - The January 18th presentation, by Professor Dr. Robert Fastiggi, on basic teachings of Christians and Muslims was a success and very well attended. Feedback indicates that this should be a 1st step in bringing similar faith presentations to DC.

SUBCOMMITTEE #1: Assist Local Charities/Outreach (Marylou Jansen)

- Blood Drive: (Cathy Ballnik, Bernadette Dzieciuch) Bernadette reported that blood drive of January 17, 2016 generated 60 pts. of blood. Caeli Finn and volunteers from the High School did a great job in assisting at the blood drive.
- St. Vincent DePaul: (Diane Rivard)
- Chili Cha Cha January 30, 2016 at Sacred Heart Parish.
No official report available - deferred to next meeting. However, Bernadette attended and reported there was a full house.

SUBCOMMITTEE #2: Care of the Sick & Elderly (Freda Bova, Mary Tomilo)

- Nursing Home Ministry: Freda reported that Fr. John will offer Mass at Heartland on February 20th. All continues to go well.
- Homebound Ministry: Mary reported that Marilyn had received a call from a parishioner who would like to donate plants to the homebound at Easter. Marylou to present to Parish Council.
- Bereavement Cards: (Janet Laliberte') Jan reported that she has taken a group of cards to Fr. Bilot for signature and will send to families of deceased parishioners.

SUBCOMMITTEE #3: Life Issues (Cindy Gauvin) Cindy reported

- Roe v Wade Luminaries: Sales of luminaries on 1/16/17, 2016 generated \$468.20
- Right to Life Baby Shower is scheduled for March 5/6 and 12/13 in the Gathering Space. Proceeds will help St. Veronica's Gianna House facility in Eastpointe.

- SUBCOMMITTEE #4: (Fr. John Kopson, Marylou Parish Pastoral Council) Marylou reported on upcoming:
- Service Opportunities Material for Infant and Social Media:
- St. Pat's Senior Center Meal - Sunday, March 6th
- RTL Baby Shower March 5/6 & 12/13
- SVdP Clothing Donations - March 12/13 - DC Elementary School Parking Lot

Fr. John closed the meeting at 7:00 pm thanking God for the opportunity to serve DC and the neighborhood, and asking God to refresh and rejuvenate us to continue this Christian Service.

Next Meeting: Our next Christian Service Meeting will be on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 6:30pm in the Elementary School MPR.

Respectfully submitted,
Freda Bova