



Holy Cross Church Social Concerns Committee

Minutes

11/9/09

Attendance: Kathy Lessard, Fr. Carlos, Donna Latteri, Margaret Helwig, Eunice Tate, Rich Katcher, Sue Comstock and Jim Cordie.

The meeting was opened with prayer.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved.

- **Social Concerns Committee**
 - Fr. Carlos stated that he wanted to add a Hispanic person to the committee.
 - The committee's meeting will remain at Holy Cross instead of being moved to St. Thomas More.
- **Thanksgiving Food Distribution**
 - The food pantry Thanksgiving Day Program
 - Fr. Carlos will determine the Hispanics needing food.
 - Packing will be done 11/23
 - Students will assist with the packing.
 - Distribution will be on 11/24
 - Some baskets will be delivered by Rich Katcher and Fr. Carlos.
- **Thank You Notes**
 - Kathy read several notes expressing thanks to the committee.
- **Volunteer Day**
 - Volunteer Day is postponed and will be rescheduled after January 1, 2010.
- **Poor Box**
 - It was recommended that the cantor at Mass promoted donations to the poor box.
- **Prison Ministry**
 - Inside Ministry
 - Wednesday social concerns meetings will resume after the holidays.
 - Prisoners near release are interviewed by the H.C. St. Vincent de Paul staff on the 2nd Friday of each month.
- **Homeless Ministry**
 - H.C. will be serving food during the week of Nov. 16th.
 - Both H.C. and Eagles Wings Church will participate.
- **Pro-life Ministry**
 - A pro-life poster was maintained in the gathering space throughout the pro-life month of November.
 - A life chain took place at Planned Parenthood from noon to 2:00 pm on October 4th with 52 participants.

- The H.C. pro-life team met on 10/19.
- Thursday prayer vigils continue at the P.P. clinic.
- The 2nd Saturday prayer vigil has had weak participation to date.
 - Outreach to other groups is in progress.
- A prayer vigil at P.P. is scheduled for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe from 9 - 11 a.m.
 - We will have a poster in the gathering spacing promoting the vigil.
- Choose Life Delaware now has a 132 members signed up for license plates.
- DRTL Kent County Committee has raised \$600 necessary to have a pro-life billboard for one month.
 - Kathy will ask Fr. Dan's permission to promote this program at H.C.
- The H.C. pro-life team will be the promoter and coordinator of the 2010 March for Life bus trip.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 2nd.

The meeting was closed with prayer.