

Minutes of the April 4th meeting

Opening Prayaer - Deacon Charlie

Deacon Charlie gave an update on the Parish Council.

Old Business - Habitat for Humanity

Father Doyle read the letter from Mr. Nadolny and is waiting for his call. Main problem is parish finances. Deacon Charlie is seeking more information on this project.

Shirley mentioned that a representative of CORP is staffing an office at St.Dominics. CORP is a program for seniors who reside in St. Louis County. A notice will be put in the bulletin. CORP will also assist people with the Medicare Plan.

New Business - Kathy mentioned that former parishioners now liveing in retirement homes say that no one from the parish visits them. They do receive a bulletin. She will check Gayle for a list of those people. Don suggested people from the various organization should visit their own former members.

Organization Reports

Alumni Moms - Arlene reported for Angie Heumann

They have approximately 20 members. Meeetings are held whenever they have an upcoming event. Members may host a Trivia night in the future.

Athletic Assoc. - No one present, therefore no report

BVM Sodality - Barbara Nixon

In the future, the sodality may hold their meetings during the day as some members do not go out at night. These meetings will be held in the Parish Center on the 2nd Monday.

Quilters - Lee Meyers

If anyone is interested in becoming a quilter, they will not be turned away. Young people may be interested in learning. Need to advertize in the bulletin.

Boy Scouts

Cub Scouts No repre. therefore, no report

Girl Scouts

Home & School - Sharon Johnson

Last fish fry will be this Friday, Arpil 7. Nothing else to report.

SHF 55 Plus Club - Sshirley Horstman

Their membership is both Catholic and Non-Catholic. There is a speaker at each meeting regarding health issues or elderly issues. They advertise in the

bulleting, Times, Call, etc. Current membership is approximately 50 to 60 people.

Youth Group - Jim Butz

Main theme of the youth group is to involve the members in Scripture. Kids are asking serious questions. They are sharing and praying. Luke 18 retreat for 8th graders will be April 28 & 29. 60 students will be involved with 30 people assisting. There will be music and a band. There will be 12 talks on different topics. Deacon Charlie mentioned they need the tools of faith, such as Mass and the Sacraments, to understand the basics of their religion. XLT is involved in surrounding parishes. This involves adoration and prayer.

Feed the Poor and Secular Order - Arlene Welling

Volunteers served 267 people at St. Vincents last Thursday. The money is still coming in for these meals.

The Secular Order will have it's annual Day of Recollection for Shut-ins on April 8th

Parish Helpers Program - Unable to contact this person

Disabilities - John Rozenkranz

Telephone call with Deacon Charlie. He has never been contacted regarding anyone with disability needs. He is interested in having a ramp for the school.

Funeral Lunch Program - Carolyn Barnett

Telephone call with Kathy. Caroly said the group served 3 lunches since Jan. 2006.

MCU - Gene Murphy

MCU-Isaiah Community Meeting - Thursday, May 4th - 7-8:30pm

Maria Center - Notre DAME High School on Ripa Avenue. This meeting is to hear issues MCU is working on.

Invited guests are: Mr. Dooley, state senators, state representatives, county councilmen and dbusiness leaders. It is important to have a large number of people in attendance.

Current Issues

Nestle Plant

Heege & Mackenzie property - condos and lofts

Gravois traffic issue surrounding the Gravois Villlages Development

Public comment hearing at county on April 18th

Highway 40 minority hiring. MODOT has agreed in principle to allocate 2 million toward contytractor incentives and training of minorities.

Pro-Life - Ann Cole

May 6 and September 9 are days for picketing at the abortion clinic.

Archdiocese is committed to having people at this picketing.

St. Vincent DePaul - Don Deves

This parish is really blessed with people answering requests to help needy people. Donations amounting to \$800 were received in sympathy for a members son's death. Don reported Joe Hackney fell, but is doing better. People from SHF assist St.Francis DeSales parish on Saturday mornings. SHF is the largest contributor in assisting this parish with their needs.

Social Justice Advocacy - Barb Hackett

They will be collecting the Rice Bowls this week. A certain percentage stays here in our Archdiocese. May is Mental Health Month - Peggy will be working on a brochure.

Welcoming - Francis Steffen

Telephone call to Kathy - Nothing to Report

Hospitality Ssundays - No one attended - no report

Next meeting will be September 5, 2006

Closing Prayer - Deacon Charlie