## Parish Life Committee

## November 5, 2015

We opened the meeting with an Our Father said by all.

Minutes were read from last month and approved.

Members present were Rheadawn Young, Sunny Calvert, Margie Walke, Mary Beth Freyer, Maureen Harpring, Rosie Koehne, Amy Lesneski, and Marilyn Freyer. Not present were Donald Freyer and Ken Dickman.

## **Ministry Updates**

Family Helping Families: Maureen reported that notices went out about two weeks ago. About 117 families were helped last year. All papers are supposed to be returned by this coming Monday (75 returned so far). Tags will be put out starting the weekends of November 14 and 15, 2015 and November 21 and 22, 2015 and November 28 and 29, 2015. All gifts need to be returned by December 5, 2015. Pickup will be Sunday December 13, 2015. Jim and Maureen Saner are in charge of all of it. Each child will receive two gift tags each. No Adults. Kroger Gift Cards to each family of either \$50, \$75, or \$100. Few other area churches in our community are helping out with families too.

40 Days of Life March in Cincinnati: Maureen and Amy reported they had a few hours to be filled that day but everything worked out fine. It was very interesting seeing other pro-life people there said was peaceful, prayerful witness.

Food Pantry: Rheadawn reported that in August 235 household served and September 244 and October 217. November is our month to help on Wednesday noon to 4. Contact Carolyn Dierkman to volunteer. Our Parish is to bring canned fruit. Also household cleaning items are needed.

Welcoming/Hospitality: Rheadawn reported one new parishioners Keith and Erica Armstrong. We need to get our parish website updated and more informative. We would like to see the package that is given to all new parishioners and Fr. Stan had said maybe need to develop this more. There will be no Coffee/Donut Social in December. In January Carrie Wessler said that her little princesses will be doing the coffee/donut social. In February the school commission in honor of Catholic School week will be doing the coffee/donut social.

Youth Ministry: Mary Beth reported that 43 are signed up for next year Mission trip so far. Murder Mystery Play is next Saturday November 14, 2015 at Shad Hall in Morris. Youth Ministry hosted November Coffee/Donut Social and attendance was low.

Parish Sports: no report

Old Business

Bringing Back parishioners: The first letter that Fr. Stan had sent out went to all parishioners. Parish council said some had come back marked "Return to Sender". There will be a second letter going out before Thanksgiving to all parishioners that have "left" the parish.

Wrap up from 10 year Anniversary of the Adoration Chapel: Pot Luck dinner attendance was a little disappointing but still happy with the turnout that we had. We had a lot of complements of the table decorations. A big THANK YOU to Amy Lesneski! The cost of pulled pork was \$80 and some sold for \$50 so left cost of \$30 and the cost of buns \$60. Amy currently did not have receipt for decorations. Thank you to everyone that helped in any way.

**New Business** 

Winter social: talked about some ideas was PNC Festival of Lights, family movie out with hot chocolate.

Fr. Stan will help us get some new members.

We need to get the information updated on our Parish Life Ministry.

We ended the meeting with a Hail Mary.

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Freyer