

Minutes from October Meeting 10/2/19

Social Concerns Mtg Tuesday 10/1/19

Attendees:

Dean Martens

Ann Fennel

Pat Turner

Laurie Bonjour

Pam Wilks

Cheryl Alleruzzo

- Mtg opened with Prayer

OLD BUSINESS

- September Socks Drive going strong. Consider holding excess socks for October's "Street Friends" donation drive.
- Catholic Care Packs program will not be pursued, Father Tony more focused on fund raising projects within the Parish for parishioners to donate toward. Ideas appreciated for November possible projects

NEW BUSINESS

- Parishioner Debbie Scranton Washburn attended to increase committee's awareness of Pregnancy Resources Facility, and the possibility of supporting them in future donation drives. Month of April in reference to Mother's Day specifically, and possibility of including them in Christmas Tree Gift Tags of December. (Am I close to having that correct?)
- Right to Life Women's Choice Center No Bake Bake Sale will be held weekend of Oct 19-20 Cheryl A will have some hard candy and miniature tootsie rolls to offer donators. Please pick a mass to help collect. Pat Turner will reach Marolyn Tope to seek her services on decorating a table for this drive.
October will have a donation drive for the "Street Friends" agency. Mr. Dwain Womack is the primary POC for this agency and will pick up items from church. Items needed: sleeping bags, hats, gloves, socks, and scarves; which will be distributed as needed throughout the streets of the Quad Cities.
- November primary drive will be in support of World Relief Agency. Influx of new immigrants from Africa, largely from the Congo. Items needed: soaps, shampoo, toothpaste toothbrushes, deodorant, shaving razor crème, feminine products
Baby diapers. Bedding of twin and double sheets. Kitchen supplies. School supplies for the youth.
- December will focus on receiving a named Family in need and possibly the Pregnancy Resource Facility for Gifts to be tagged on the annual Christmas Tree. Parishioners then select a tag from

the Christmas Tree and share in the spirit of the season by purchasing the needed item(s) listed, wrapping it and returning to foyer of church . Gifts are picked up by servicing agency that gave us Family name.

- Saturday November 9th, 2019 all encouraged to attend and support the now annual “Soup Off” Fundraiser Benefit. Held at the Rock starting at 5:30. Nonperishable food items and monetary donations welcomed. Silent auction baskets and items featured. Cash bar available. SMG parish will receive 20% proceeds of this event. Pam and Rich Wilks family member (grandson?) is the driver behind this event, and gratefully includes SMG to help pull it off and reap the benefits.
- January 2020 donation drive will be in support of the Humility of Mary ‘Warming Stations’. Items needed: coffee, sugars, creamers.
- Remainder of Spring months of 2020 and their focuses will be discussed at next months mtg. Tuesday Nov 5th @ 6:00 p.m.

Speakers from ‘Friends of Haiti’ mission may speak to group at Nov. mtg.

The Lords Prayer ended our 45 minute meeting.

Cheryl Alleruzzo