

Roncalli Newman Social Justice Meeting Minutes - Virtual - 7:00 PM February 6, 2024

Present: Chris H., Wanda W., Pat S., Julie DB., Alice MB., Therese R., Deanna K., Ginny K., Elliot B., Cindy S.,

FEBRUARY & MARCH ACTIVITIES:

BREAD for the WORLD - Offering of Letters will be **April 13 & 14** at both parishes, Need volunteers for after each Mass that weekend, Wanda will submit an educational piece for the Bulletin with a reference to an electronic link on BFTW's website. Request for volunteers will be sent out closer to date. Wanda will provide the needed supplies - stamped postcards, pens, baskets, drop box, **April Agenda**

MARCH FOOD DRIVE - Weekend of **16th & 17th**. This year FD will benefit MN. Need to know who to make a check out to (Chris will find this out), Volunteers: Julie, Alice, Cindy and possibly Elliott & Ginny, Deanna is making posters, Deacon Allen will provide help at BSP. Contact Chris with questions.

IMMIGRATION AWARENESS - Nothing to report (inactive currently)

ANTI-VIOLENCE - HUMAN TRAFFICKING - HOSEA'S HEART - No new information, BSP will have plant sale in May, we can volunteer or donate plants, Put on **April Agenda**

REVIEW OF TIME & TALENT - No update

ONGOING ACTIVITIES:

COAT DRIVE - Should we bring back if there is a need? Chris will consult with Tracy (WTC) & Dee P. (Jail Ministry)

JAIL MINISTRY - CIRCLES OF SUPPORT - No report, put on the **April Agenda**, Circles of Support will have a report then

SJ FINANCE DISBURSEMENT REPORT - SJ Balance is \$3,360.61 From these funds will pay Covenant Dues to BFTW of \$350, Who else should we earmark a donation to? Suggestions: Juneteenth Event, Casa Hogar may need books for the children (Julie will contact Nowella to see if Spanish books maybe needed), Hosea's Heart, donate to a "Student Fund", donate to student/s in need of a meal, donate to a single parent student struggling with finances, donate to Seek Conf - Chris will contact Maddie - Campus Minister

CASA HOGAR FUNDS - Separate Fund - Balance \$1,519.00 - RNP usually donates a \$1,000 to our Sponsored Family but SJ Finance will send total amount for CH's up and coming Fiscal Year

WINTER WARMING CENTER - It appears that there have been enough volunteers to cover our commitment of Saturday evening, Carla is the manager, appears there may be a need for a dishwasher

and dryer. Currently all supplies for meals/eating are disposable, Elliott will reach out to Carla with a concern about need for a dishwasher

UPDATES:

Alternative Gift Giving - Well received - Good job Therese

Giving Tree - Generous parishioners

Birthright Baby Bottle Collection - Julie will give Update at **April Meeting**

Place of Grace - Put on **April Agenda**

U.S. Poverty Awareness Month in January - Council of Catholic Bishops - checkout CCB's website

NEW ITEMS:

Emergency Assistance Policy - Policy needs to be updated, more parishioners need to be added to the current list of volunteers, suggestion is to form a committee to meet and discuss, interested parishioners should contact Sandy at RNP and/or Ellen at BSP, input from Fr. Dodge is always appreciated
Pat will contact Sandy with suggestions on how to organize such a committee. Put on **April Agenda**

FYI - All Future SJ Meetings should be posted in the Sunday Bulletin a couple of weeks prior to the date of such meeting with notice being sent to Adele (media@bsplacrosse.org) - Currently SJ meetings are on the RNP Calendar on the website

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, April 2, 2024 - 7:00 PM - Virtual