

Prince of Peace Catholic Community Helping Hands Ministry Meeting Notes

Date: Monday, June 10, 2024 6:30pm

Attendees: Becky Collar, Chad Fameree, Carol Fredrickson, Donna Kapinos, Mary Kollross, Dawn Konop, Emily Koslowski, Lori Lessmiller, Vicki Sachs, Bernie & Karen Skaletski, Debbie Tilot, Jo Ann VandenBush

Pre-Notified Unable to Attend: Tammy Carley, Angie Lamack, Sara Shefchik, Glen Tilot, and Linda and Gary Walker

Opening Prayer Led by Mary Kollross

Garden of Goodness: Bernie Skaletski

- Garden is planted and growing!
- Open slots available to water and weed the garden throughout the summer (Bernie sent around calendar and sign-up sheet in gathering space)
- This is Bernie's last summer leading the garden efforts. Thank you, Bernie!

Blood Drive: Mary Kollross

- Last drive had 42 units (Goal was 41)

Bottle Drive: Emily Koslowski

- This activity is going very well! Over \$4,000 collected and still another week to go!
- Found out we are the "pilot" drive for the diocese.

Advent By Candlelight: Tammy Carley & Becky Collar

- To be held Tuesday, December 3rd
- Possible charity this year is Love Life (to be finalized at our next meeting)
- Discussion was held on location. Would be great to have it at church but we know it will still not host the number of ladies that want to attend. We don't want this to become negative or a feeling of favoritism with only a certain number of women having the opportunity to participate.
- Tammy and Becky will reach out to The Ravine to check on availability for that date.
- Tammy and Becky need to complete the events form for the office

New Business: All

- Reminder to reach out to Kody in the office with all requests, events, collections, etc.... These forms are to be done 6 months in advance. Mary will contact Kody for a copy of the forms, both long and short, to accompany these minutes.

Guest Speaker: Jenny Vanden Langenberg

- Boxes of Joy – Christmas Childrens collection to those in need.
- \$9.00 per box
- Last year, 40 boxes were filled with money from the children's church collection.
- 2024 goal = 100 boxes

- Church donations fill the boxes with toys and school supplies (examples: art supplies, small toys like dolls, balls, card games, jump ropes, etc.)
- Jenny shared a video about the program (also a website if you would like to check it out)
- Asking if this could be our October church collection.
- The boxes would then be filled on November 3, during the children's time and could be completed by volunteers after mass.
- All agreed this is a great program! We will move the House of Hope collection to September 2024 and do Boxes of Joy Collection in October.
- Jenny will let the group know what they need for help.

Closing Prayer Led by Mary Kollross

Next meeting: Monday, July 8th 6:30pm

Any other decisions/announcements/cancellations will come via email from Mary Kollross