

FaithJustice Meeting Minutes for Wednesday December 10, 2014

Present: Father McNea, Sister Ruth Snyder, Sister Patricia Fritz, Mary Kivi, and Carol Fishbune

FaithJustice prayer was read
Gospel Reading and reflections
Minutes from October 8, 2014 had been approved via email

Old Business:

1. We discussed the five Sundays of the *Joy of the Gospel* parish read. The overall consensus was that the day of the week and the time of day worked well. We had approximately 20 people at each gathering. The discussions were thoughtful and fruitful. We had a good mix of ages attend the sessions. No plans were made by the *Joy of the Gospel* group to do a project together but everyone agreed to pray the FaithJustice prayer.

2. Mary Kivi reported on the distribution of Thanksgiving Baskets. It was decided that using the new location, which was the church gathering space, was a good change. Distribution on Monday and early phone calls were also good changes this year. There were still at least 20% of the families who did not pick up their Thanksgiving baskets. It was decided that next year Mary Kivi will purchase 10% less turkeys than are requested. Mary will also ask Cub Foods to have 5 – 10 turkeys on reserve in case we need them.

3. On Sunday January 11th, we will distribute the FaithJustice prayer cards. Sister Patricia will write up a short after communion reflection that can be read at each Mass. Mary Kivi will read the reflection at 4:30 and 8:00, Carol will read at 10:00, and Sister Ruth will read it at Noon. We will all help to distribute the cards after the Masses that we are able to attend. Carol Fishbune will be at all 4 Masses. Carol will add the prayer cards to the Burgundy color music books on one of the weekdays before the 11th. **Change: Prayer cards will be distributed on the weekend of January 24/25.**

4. Neighbors in Need envelopes: We did not discuss the Neighbors in Need envelopes but after the meeting Carol met with the Parish Finance director concerning the possibility of having parishioners make electronic contributions to this fund. It looks like this is a real possibility. Carol will continue to work out the details with the Parish staff.

New Business:

1. We discussed the possibility of doing a discussion series based on the Synod on the Family. The dates of the series will be March 1, 8, 15, and 22 from 4:00 – 5:30 in the Saint Clare Room. These discussions will be open to all of Rochester and will be advertised in the citywide Lenten brochure. Sister Ruth, Sister Patricia, Mary Kivi, and Carol Fishbune will meet on Monday January 5th at 11:00 at St. James Coffeehouse to discuss the Synod material and pick out 4 discussion topics. We also need to decide on a title for our discussion series so that we can advertise it in the brochure.

Closure:

Closing Prayer

Our next date will be Wednesday January 14th at Noon

Minutes submitted by Carol Fishbune on 12/28/14