

Christian Service commission notes-March 5, 2010

Members in attendance: Rich Blackford

Fr. Jim Byrnes

Lou Mantia

Rose Callahan

Ginny Schrappen

Nancy Symonds

Tithing: Brought up the idea of adding the LaPosada Shelter to our Tithing list. Will send information from La Posada to Fred. We would like to add this to the agenda at our next meeting in May.

MCU: - Preparing for the Healthy communities Retreat this Saturday (March 7) in Parish Hall

Focus on transportation

-MCU has put a great display in the back of church to inform people of the April 6 ballot tax increase for transportation and the importance of its passage.

-Archbishop is contacting pastors to encourage them to tell their parishioners the importance of this passing.

Human rights: - Rice Bowls were distributed Feb. 13/14-collected Sunday after Easter

-Panel on Immigration held Feb. 21-23 people attended. This was an awareness raising venture. Thanks to Helen Sloan for organizing.

-Will be offering Just Matters: Crossing Borders series after Easter

Sandwich Shop: Good response to the Update article.

-Lou's Shop made 200 sandwiches plus donated a whole bunch of produce (case of lettuce, 50 pounds of potatoes, and onions, some oranges, pears, and bananas)

-Jane's shop completed 450 sandwiches and is going strong

-Ed did not have as many volunteers so we will work on getting his more help

Funeral Luncheon: No funeral luncheons this month

Send A Card: 6 cards sent out last month

Monthly Food Drive: Filled a S.U.V. this past month so we continue to share our gifts with those who need our help

Major food Drive/Christmas gifts:

-Dates have been set

Summer food drive: June 12/13

Christmas food drive/Gift collection December 4/5

Parish help name is being changed to Mary Mother Helping Hands

Habitat for Humanity: Website is updated with information but we need 2-3 strong volunteers for the weekend of April 16/17

Website-If you need things changed on your part of the website contact Jason Serati at Jason.serati@sbcglobal.net