

# CHRISTIAN SERVICE COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES

Oct 1, 2009

**Attendees:** Rich Blackford, Fred Hoenberger, Ginny Schrappen, Sue Buerkle, Rose Callahan, Ann Rapisardo, Nancy Symonds, Val Korenak, Fr. Jim Byrnes

**Opening Prayer:** Rich, prayer of St. Theresa on her feast day.

**Parish Council Report:** Rich updated everyone on Fr. T's installation, White Ribbon Week, Living Rosary, and various social activities.

**Old Business:** Minutes approved.

**New Business:**

Rich asked for and got volunteers to bring wine and cheese to Fr. T's installation.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Tithing:** Fred Hoenberger: All recommendations were approved to pass on to Fr. T. Information was presented about the distribution of funds by location and types of needs met.
- **MCU:** Ginny Schrappen : A Thank You will be in the weekend's bulletin thanking MMOC parishioners for their amazing support of our annual trivia night fund raiser which enables us to put on things like the MCU Forum on Public Transportation. Nearly 300 people attended and 13,000.00 was raised . MCU Forum on Public Transportation - 4 women connected to MCU will speak at the end of each Mass, addressing the public transportation issue in the metro area, tying it in with ProLife, the common good, sharing their personal stories, and inviting MMOC parishioners to the Forum on 10/10 at 9:30 at Zion UMC. Local, state and federal politicians have been invited and many, including Congressman Russ Carnahan will be in attendance. Testimony will also be given by people who have been affected by the cutbacks. We are expected to bring 50 people from MMOC.
- **Report of Human Rights Committee:** Sue Buerkle  
Judy and Sue went to MO Catholic Conference in Jefferson City on 9/26. Attended workshops on MO Budget(There will probably be a need for a lot of defense of human rights programs this session as budget cutting bill be severe in the next 2-3 years) Environment, Immigration Law, and Addressing Local Poverty issues.
- **Send a Card:** Barb Legveque: 5 cards were sent in July and 4 were sent in Aug.
- **Sandwich Shop:**  
Ann Rapisardo - 450 sandwiches and 15 lbs of chicken were given to Karen House.  
Diana Piantanida – no report  
Lou and Jo Ann Mantia – no report

A bulletin announcement is needed to recruit a driver. The question was brought up about possibly delivering at night.

- **Parish Funeral Luncheon:** Rose Calahan, Diane Euteriner, Trish Bennett  
No luncheons were given in Sept.
- **Parish Help:** Diana Piantanida – was not present at the meeting, but Diana spoke by phone with Kim. Meals were arranged and delivered to Marion Hart. We need to clarify the process by which requests/suggestions for meals is made.
- **Monthly Food Drives:** Jim Walthers, Richard Hantak – no report
- **Christmas Food Drive and Gifts:** Nancy Symonds, Kara Serati, Lois Scully  
Ornaments with gift suggestions and food bags will be given out weekends of Nov 12/14 and 20/21. Parishoners will be given the option/suggestion of buying MM certificates and immediately donating them to be used for Christmas drive if they don't have the time to shop themselves. CS update article will focus on Christmas drive this month.
- **Habitat For Humanity:** Jason Serati – no report
- **CSC Website:** Jason Serati – no report. Jason did not reply to e-mail request for update from Kim. She will try calling him.
- **Men's Club:** John Hesser – not present, but it was mentioned at PC that they are working on Mouse Races on Dec. 5.
- **Next Meeting:** Nov. 5 @ 7:00 pm