Human Concerns Commission March 16, 2021

Present: Erv Lesczynski, Jim Stewart, Mary Ketterhagen, Doris Grajkowski, Rick Voell, Dan

Zeleske, Joyce Gau, Erin Cobb & Mary Denzin

Excused: Fr Fabian, Barb Braun

Old and Continuing Business:

• Prison Ministry – on hold due to COVID

Farm Visits on hold due to COVID

Updates and New Issues:

• New Hire – Kelsey Carter will be starting on May 24. She will be PT HC and PT CF. She will work with Father Edward on continuing to build a Young Adult group. She will also assist with Funerals, Community Garden, Brown Bag Lunch, Adopt-A-Hwy, Neighbors In Faith & Love Begins Here. We look forward to having her join our team.

- Day Warming Shelter
 - o Spring/Summer Programming
 - Community Garden & SM- Looking for volunteers to help build and maintain the garden. Food produced by the garden will go to individuals in the community at Blessed Bites. Dan will check on price of lumber and soil.
 - Fond du Lac Literacy using upstairs at SM for tutor/student meetings and larger group classes for basic needs in Spanish/English.
 - Eating on a Budget classes offering this summer with Barb O'Neil.
 Other possible classes: reading ads, nutrition, making the meals
 - Getting Ahead talking with Carissa to see if she would offer at the Center this summer.
 - Wrap up of Warming Shelter April 30
- Neighbors In Faith Working with Sarah and Kelsey to get this program up and running.
 Looking for a volunteer to help coordinate. Will make spreadsheet of all those in need. Goal is to match up all those that need help.
- Blessed Bites moving to Tuesday now that Loaves & Fishes is coming back in April. Holy Family has April 21st as date for Loaves and Fishes.
- Brown Bag Lunch Program- Partnering with Salvation Army. HF to take Tuesdays and SA to do Thursday lunch. Looking for volunteers to help coordinate, distribute and pack lunches.
- Love Begins Here Have a google doc that will be on the website and can be e-mailed or filled out by staff/volunteer.
- Drug Free Communities applied for grant to buy bags to dispose of unused meds. Suggestion to give to family at funeral planning if the deceased has unused meds.
- Wrap up of Soup du Jour
 - Unprepared for the large number of people. Need more soups/restaurants or have parishioners make soups also
 - O Use 16oz instead of 12oz
 - o Set up stations to dish up soup & mark boxes. Similar to Thanksgiving meal.
 - o Refrigerated trailer for storage
 - Larger signage
 - o Take out limit sales to a set amount. Ran out of some soups before mass.
 - More helpers