# Community Outreach Commission Report for Pastoral Council Meeting, September 2021

### from PREPARES Ministry Meeting August 14th

The group made plans to reach out to several community organizations and Sacred Heart Parish ministries about combining efforts and providing support:

- ECAP HeadStart program
- Family Promise of the Palouse
- Pullman Child Welfare
- Community Action Center (CAC)
- Social Justice Ministry

After following up with these agencies and groups, PREPARES plans to do a collection drive in the fall.

#### from Pullman Knights of Columbus Council 7360 August 18th Meeting

The group discussed arrangements for providing food at the parish's Lentil Festival on August 21<sup>st</sup> (cancelled), welcome-back neighborhood barbecue on August 27<sup>th</sup> (cancelled), and Octoberfest, scheduled tentatively for September 25<sup>th</sup>. They also made plans for assisting with game day parking on September 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Marketing Committee**

Content for posting on our parish's social media outlets can be sent via email or text to Meg Gollnick at gollnickm@gmail.com, 509-432-6736.

## **Social Justice Ministry**

**Family Promise:** Sacred Heart hosted two families on August 13-14<sup>th</sup> at Simpson Methodist Church. Family Promise's current needs include new pillows and pillowcases, size 2 diapers, baby wipes, clear large storage bins, bookshelves, school supplies, a trunk bike rack for 3 bikes, peanut butter, jelly, and pasta sauce.

<u>Action Alerts via Flocknotes:</u> Issues of recent alerts included the environment, the death penalty, and restorative justice.

<u>Trex</u>: The plastic bag/film collection at Sacred Heart for the fifth bench was completed in early August. The bench will be shipped in 6-10 weeks from now.

<u>Helping Hands:</u> Three weekly meals are being provided to one family. If you are interested in joining the Helping Hands Ministry, contact Sue McNamara: <a href="mailto:sue.m.mcnamara@gmail.com">sue.m.mcnamara@gmail.com</a>.

<u>Community Action Food Bank</u>: Current needs include gluten-free food items and hygiene items such as shampoo, conditioner, tooth paste and brushes; deodorant; disposable razors, and shaving cream, tampons, depends for men size L and X, and baby wipes.

## St. Francis Guild

The following donations were made in July/August:

Dissmore's cards: \$600

Rent: 1,040 AT&T: 200

Water bills: 77.87

Avista: 173 Motels: 216.46

Whitman and Latah County Parks: 245

Bus tickets: 30

Myers Towing: 98.35 Storage companies: 100

Gas: 200