**Social Justice Minutes: February 11, 2020**

Present: Cindy Pospisil, Linda Noll, Josh Henik, Allison Nissen, Linda Hansmeier, Ellen Bentley, Jessica Wiskus, Pam Kraus. Absent: Mary Weber, Fr. Andrew

* “When Helping Hurts” Book Review: Discussed the intro and Chapter 1. General consensus was all favorable comments. Book is challenging us in our thoughts, actions, and prayers.
* Approval of January 2nd meeting minutes: Approved
* January is poverty awareness month. It was suggested we look at doing something in January 2021 to raise awareness.
* Survey on Tithing Opportunities: Decided to pend to March meeting
* Pro-Life Speaker review:
  + Event was advertised for all ages. In the future we should do better job of researching presenter and topic to make sure we are comfortable with what age groups are invited. Adult only, teenage and above, children, etc..
  + Childcare – For all future events if childcare is going to be provided an adult must be in the childcare room or event must be advertised with no childcare.
  + Luana asked for mileage reimbursement – we approved paying Luana $80 for mileage
* Pancake Breakfast: Better turnout than expected because of weather. Preliminary numbers from Loraine were:

Donations :    $1,411.00

Donation:           500.00

Garys Foods:      -330.70

Profit for Haiti $1,580.30

* + A few complaints were reported about the pancakes being small and thin. We will need to communicate that to cooks prior to next pancake breakfast.
* Lenten Alms for Haiti: Linda Noll presented a plan she and Fr. Andrew have discussed. An envelope for Lenten Alms collection will be going out in place of the rice bowls this year. Each week there will be a testimonial in the bulletin about Haiti. We will have a social after mass before Palm Sunday. Donuts will be provided.
* Mission of Social Justice Commission: Agreed to change our name back to Social Justice Committee. Our meeting minutes need to be emailed to Parish Council Secretary. Parish Council wants a representative from our committee at their meetings. Originally Josh was our representative; however, Parish Council is in discussions regarding that and once they decide if another non-voting representative needs to be present they will let us know. Josh will report back after February Parish Council meeting. Finally we reviewed Social Justice Committee Bylaws. We made one change. Josh will give changes to Parish Council.
* Budget Proposal for 2020/2021: Loraine provided income, expenses, and pass through info for July 2019-Feb 2020. We briefly looked through the numbers and didn’t find any unknown expenses.

Next month: Meeting March 10th – agreed to keep meeting on 2nd Tuesday of the month

Homework: Read Ch 2 & 3 of When Helping Hurts

Secretary: Allison Nissen