# MEETING NOTES OLOS Christian Service Commission (CSC) Tuesday, Sept 12, 2023 7 p.m.

Attending: Paula St. Pierre; Ginny Devlin; Valerie Fratello; Michelle Davenport; Mary Tracey-Walsh; Kate Mason (notes)

#### General Announcements:

- Sept 17 Mass at the Lake at 10:30 am. Bring your own chair and a picnic
- OLOS Website has been updated including the CSC page and brochure (linked from the website).
- PPC (Parish Pastoral Council) meeting will meet on Sept 13 at 7 pm in person at the Bullock Center.
- October weekly coffee hours begin again. Contact Lynn to sign up to help with them.
- October 8 is Fr. Chen's Installation Mass at 11:00 am with Bishop Reed presiding.

## **Meeting Dates for 2023-2023**

The following are the CSC meeting dates for 2023-2024 year. Meetings will be on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm via Zoom or in person depending on the weather. Meetings may be subject to change.

October 10 March 12 (Easter is March 31)

November 14 April 9
December 5 May 14
January 9, 2024 June 11

February 13 (Mardi Gras Meeting? Ash

Wednesday is Feb 14)

## **Agenda Items:**

## Thinking of You Ministry: Valerie Fratello

This ministry provides hand-colored and/or hand-crafted cards four times a year to three audiences: Athome parishioners and residents at two senior healthcare facilities - Foremost & CareOne.

- There are approximately 50 at-home parishioners who receive cards. The design of these are generally religious in nature. The Youth Ministry has been involved in coloring/crafting these.
- There are 45 recipients each at Foremost and CareOne. Cards have been colored at coffee hours as well as at the start of Sunday morning faith formation classes.

<u>Next Step:</u> Valerie will connect with Faith Formation. She has already contacted Monica LaFond to check on the interest and the timing for card making involvement with the Faith Formation students and will update us after she meets with them

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Evelyn House Christmas Party: Michelle Davenport and Mary Ann LaHive

The CORRECT date for the 2023 Christmas Party for Evelyn House is **THURSDAY**, Dec 7.

Michelle reviewed the Sign Up Genius from 2022 and suggested the timelines could be similar. Draft:

Oct 1 - get the list of residents from EH. Kate to contact EH and cc Mary Ann and Michelle

Oct 28-29 Launch collection using Sign Up Genius;

- Hang tags on the Giving tree; Tags to will be similar to last year with instructions and a QR code to sign up to buy a gift for a person or to purchase supplies.
- Have Flyer; Bulletin notice and pulpit announcements

Nov 30 - all gifts and supplies returned

Dec 1-5 - compile the gifts and make the Family Gift Bags. O'Connell Hall or Bullock on Sat. Dec 2?

Dec 7 - Deliver the gifts to Evelyn House.

#### Next Step:

- Kate to contact Deborah at Evelyn House for the list of names of the residents.
- Everyone: Remember to save extra Halloween Candy for the candy Bags for the Family Gift Bags.
- Prepare details for discussion at the October meeting: Tags; Family Goody Bags; announcements; flyer, etc.

## Food Pantry: Ginny Devlin

Ginny said the food pantry could use more donations now.

### Next Steps:

- Ginny will write up a reminder for the bulletin and send it to Lynn Jacobs.
- Ginny will talk with Suzanne at the food pantry to update the current "wish list" and will post the update on the wall near the collection bin in the church and the Bullock Center.
- Future Meeting topics: Super Bowl Collection and Spring Clean-up

## Family & Personal Care Kits - to be discussed at future meetings

## Knitting & Crochet Ministry - Paula St. Pierre

Possible Spring 2024