

# Minutes for Respect Life Meeting

Aug, 18, 2015 7:00PM—Muriel's House

Those present: Rose Mary Bell, Muriel Casavant, Nadine Ostermann, Terri Murrell & Karen Trautman

Opened with Mercy Chaplet

1. Letter to Senators to stop funding PPH (Requested by USCCB & Archdiocese)
  - Muriel has received permission from Father Bill to draft a letter to State & Federal Senators requesting that funding to PPH be stopped. She presented us with a first draft which we critiqued.
  - Karen has agreed to do a final draft.
  - Muriel will then work with Father Bill to get permission to present it to parishioners in order to get as many letters as possible
  - We will then mail the letters to the appropriate persons
2. Nine Months with Christ in the Womb (Promoted by the Archdiocese)
  - Nadine has sent a request to Mrs. Hurly to promote this to get the school for the next 4 months.
3. Fortnight for Freedom (June 21-July 4)
  - Rose Mary received permission from Father Bill to:
    1. Create a bulletin announcement suggesting that all parishioners fast, abstain from meat on Fridays and pray the rosary daily during this time frame. (Suggestion from the USCCB)
    2. Replace the Prayer for Vocations on the back of the weekend mass handout with the “Prayer of Religious Liberty” and have it prayed at all weekend masses during this time frame.
    3. Order Pray for Religious Liberty Cards which are advertised on the USCCB site.
      - A. Terri ordered the beautiful card with St. Thomas More
4. 40 Days for Life ( Sept. 23 to Nov.1)
  - Rose Mary will email Father Bill to get permission to .promote this to the parish
  - We would like to take Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, or Oct 24<sup>th</sup> for STTM Day
  - Karen will contact St. Bernadette to see if they will help us to cover 12 hours at the PPH on Auburn Ave.
  - Mary Clark has offered us 40 Days for Life Books. Rose Mary will contact Mary to get these for us.
  - Mary Clark has also offered “Pray to End Abortion” signs to place in front of STM
  - Rose Mary will seek Father Bill's permission to make use of these signs.
5. Human Trafficking
  - Nadine will follow up with Sister Joan Krimm to help promote this topic to the parish & school
6. Kairos Weekend (Cookie Ministry)
  - We chose the Warren (men's) November 5-8 weekend to promote this ministry
  - Nadine will follow up on this with Terry of Kairos
  - Nadine will seek to get the school involved in this endeavor
7. Human Life Chain (Oct. 11)
  - Was noted that this year the event is being held on the 2nd Sunday of Oct verses the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday
  - Rose Mary has emailed Sherry Wessel to remind her that we can't advertise until all paper work is in place with the church
8. Bulletin Ad for New Respect Life Participants
  - We have decided to put a notice in the Bulletin seeking new participants.
  - Rose Mary will do this
9. Next Meetings: **Location:** Muriel's, **Dates:** Sept. 1st & Oct. 20th **Time:** 7:00PM,  
Nadine's **Date:** Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> **Time:** 6:00PM (Our Yearly Social)
10. Ended with prayer