

Minutes for Respect Life Meeting

June 13, 2012

The meeting was held at Muriel Casavant's.

Those present were Rose Mary Bell, Muriel Casavant, Nadine Ostermann, Terri Murrell, Rita Miller, Kathy Brannon, & Karen Trautmann

Opened with Prayer

1. **Cemetery of the Innocent (Feb. 23- Mar.8)**
 1. We decided to do the cemetery project again the last of February, 1st of Mar.
 2. **Rose Mary** will check for the exact dates and send info to Nadine
 3. **Nadine** will check with Father Bill to get an ok on the date for next year.
2. **Ministry Brochure**
 1. Rose Mary and Muriel presented the Ministry Brochure to Father Bill and received a go ahead with producing the brochure. Father noted we had the wrong name for the youth group.
 2. **Terri** will get the correct name of the youth group and get info to Rose Mary
 3. **Rose Mary** will correct brochure and print final draft
3. **Ministry Leaders Fellowship Social**
 1. Rose Mary reported that Becky confirmed the dates for the Fall Faith Fair as Nov. 10-12. Becky suggested that we offer the Ministry Leaders Fellowship Social after the FFF, during Advent.
 2. We decided to host the MLF Social November 29th.
 3. **Rose Mary** will e-mail date to Becky
 4. **Nadine** will determine if the church kitchen can accommodate those dates.
4. **Natural Family Planning**
 1. We discussed in depth the possibility of bringing info to the church about this subject. While we would like to host some sort of event we are not yet sure exactly what.
 2. **Nadine** will continue to investigate for next year.
5. **Respect Life Booth at July Fest**
 1. We reviewed brochures which we are hoping to hand out at the July Fest
 2. **Rose Mary** will pick up materials from the Diocese and RTL to hand out. She reported that we should have balloons, removable tattoos, and pencils.
 3. **Nadine, Terri, Kathy and Karen** will all spend time in the booth
6. **Voter Registration**
 1. **Kathy** will call Ginny Ivers and refer her to Sue Hardenbergh to get info on Voter Registration
 2. **Kathy** will work with Ginny to see if we can get permission to set up a table in the vestibule to register voters.
 3. **Kathy** will ask Ginny to try to get a pulpit announcement to refer parishioners to the voter registration table

7. **Host an event between June 22nd and July 4th on religious liberty**
 1. We discussed the Rally for Religious Freedom Service being held at IHM on 7/27 and reviewed the flyer on the event which Kathy brought to the meeting.
 2. **Kathy** will add, to the flyer, website info which will offer more info about the current threat to Religious Freedom.
 3. **Kathy** will attempt to get the flyer in the church bulletin on the weekend before the event.
 4. **Kathy** and **Karen** will seek approval from Father Bill to pass out the flyers after all the Masses on the weekend before the event.
 5. If permission is granted, **Kathy** will forward the flyer to Terri.
 6. **Terri** will print the 500 flyers, ready them for distribution and place them in the vestibule.
 7. **Karen** has agreed to pay for the printing
 8. We will each take a different Mass on the weekend to try to hand out as many flyers as possible.
 9. **Karen** is going to forward other info on HHS to Rose Mary.
 10. **Rose Mary** will review & concise to a 1 page, double sided, form & send to all to be critiqued.
 11. **Rose Mary** will then ask Father for permission to hand out this information sheet to parishioners to help inform them about the risk of losing our religious freedoms.
 12. If permission is granted **Rose Mary** will ask Kate to print 500 copies
 13. We will each hand out flyers at the different Masses.
8. **Kairos Ministry**
 1. **Rose Mary** will get the dates for the fall Kairos weekend and send to Nadine
 2. **Nadine** will check with Peg Fisher, Linda Bader, and Jamie Relish to determine if they are interested in making cookies again for the Kairos Ministry.
9. **March for Life trip for STM students.**
 1. **Terri** will invite Patrick Reis and Jamie Relish to our Aug. RL meeting to discuss ways of getting our youth excited and enthused about the March for Life event in January
10. **Seeking Avenues to help the elderly**
 1. We discussed a variety of ways of reaching out to the elderly including a possible event of getting the youth involved and connected to the elderly.
 2. We also discussed the possibility of educating the elderly of the parish on the distinctive differences between a "Living Will" and a legal "Will to Live".
 3. We decided these are good ideas to revisit next year.
11. **The meeting was ended with prayer.**
12. **Next Meeting: Location: Muriel's, Time 7:00pm, Date: July 25th**