

# Minutes for Respect Life Meeting

May 4, 2011

The meeting was held at Muriel Casavant's.

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

Opened with Prayer

Old Business: Did not review the previous minutes, had been done earlier via e-mail

New Business:

1. 40 Day for life at STTM

- ❖ We all felt that the project was successful. We were pleased with the ads which went into the bulletin, especially the follow up ad which gave actual data of the overall success of the endeavor. It was decided to begin advertising for the fall campaign about the middle of August. We were disappointed that we were not able to get the youth group involved.

2. Cemetery of the Innocent

- ❖ Rose Mary gave the needed info to Deacon John with our request to erect the cemetery again in the fall (only 800 crosses) and the full 4000 next spring. John will get back with us after he presents the idea at the church staff meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Rose reported that Jane Elfers of IHM had requested that we change our dates for the erection of the cemetery during Lent of next year to facilitate IHM. Rose spoke with Mr. Sendelbach who manages the large display of crosses and changed the date from Mar.10 –Mar. 23, to Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup>. Jane requested that we move our dates back to Mar.3<sup>rd</sup>-Mar.16<sup>th</sup> and let IHM do Mar. 17<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> because of a personal conflict for hers. The committee, while sympathetic to Jane, was hesitant to move the dates back later in the season due to the weather concerns. Rose will inform Jane.

3. Preparing for the Respect Life Booth at July Fest

- ❖ It was decided that we would bring our supplies to the booth on Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>. We will all come to the next meeting prepared to sign up for time in the booth, or any help we can give.
- ❖ The Truth Booth. Committee wants more information. The cost is high, thus we want to explore avenues of financial help as well as get more details on the booth itself. Rose will follow up. After more info is available, Nadine will check to see if the Caring Place has any kind of funds available to assist in this endeavor
- ❖ **.Rose** will visit RTL & Cincinnati Diocese to get needed Brochures, etc. for the booth

4. Clermont County Right to Life Sponsor of a movie, pizza, T-Shirt for our youth

- ❖ Muriel reported that the RTL group of Clermont County is willing to sponsor the affair if the youth group is interested. Terri will follow up with Connie to see if they are interested. Terri reported that at present Connie is extremely busy trying to put together the summer schedule for the youth group.

5. Creating a Flow Chart for all RL Ministries in the church (Nadine)

- ❖ Nadine talked with Deacon John and got the names of many of the Ministries in the church. She presented a poster board with this info. We will continue to seek data about other RL ministries in the church and get the names & numbers of the leaders of these groups.

- ❖ After the flow chart is completed, we would like to make copies available in the Vestibule for the parishioners
  - ❖ We would like also to join forces with the other ministries in the church and host a ministry fair for our parishioners to come to after Masses
6. March for Life Bus for youth group (Nadine)
- ❖ Nadine presented info which she had received in reference to our youth group going to the March for Life in Jan. Will discuss more at the June Meeting.
7. Prayer Vigil at the local PPH
- ❖ It was determined that we had our dates and time correct in our advertisement. Was noted that the Ad ran in both the bulletin and Parent Talk. We then discussed avenues to get more people involved with this. We noted that we need to determine which dates and times the regulars (?) are present in order that they may lend guidance and encouragement to any new comers who may be interested in joining them for prayer. Rose Mary will follow up with the regulars (Lou Ann, Chris, etc.).
  - ❖ It was suggested that once we are more familiar with the other ministries in the church, we can seek their cooperation in this endeavor
8. Run For Life 2011 Team (May 7<sup>th</sup>)
- ❖ The ads have run regularly in the bulletin & were put in Parent Talk.
  - ❖ It was noted that the site to sign up for this event was somewhat confusing.
9. Advertising in the Bulletin for Sacred Heart Radio Conference and Cross the Bridge for Life
- ❖ The ad for SHRC ran once in Apr, and will run one time in May, and weekly in June. Rose Mary picked up the posters for the event and will check with Becky to see about getting them placed on easels in the Vestibule.
  - ❖ The ad for Cross the Bridge for Life will run 2 times in May.
10. Prison Ministries
- ❖ Nadine brought a video about Angel Tree and gave a brief description. We will each view the video and discuss more at the June meeting
  - ❖ Rose Mary presented written description about Kairos & shared the brochure about the ministry. She read a letter which she received in reference to the homemade cookies which are made for the Kairos Weekends & showed a picture of Jesus wearing the crown of thorns which was drawn by one of the inmates, and signed by the prisoners who had experienced the Kairos weekend. Rose will follow up to determine if we can use store bought cookie dough or if the cookies have to be made totally from scratch. We will discuss again next month. The next Kairos Weekend (for Warren County) is in Nov.
11. Web Site Website for Respect Life on STTM site
- ❖ Rose Mary presented a possible layout. It was well received by those present. Rose will continue to work on this project & follow up with Becky to set a date for meeting with the church Web person to get the data added to the church web site.

12. Meeting was adjourned with prayer:

13. Next Meeting: **Location: Muriel's, Time 7PM, Date: June 1<sup>st</sup>**