

Meeting Notes
OLOS Christian Service Commission

Tuesday, April 12, 2016

Attendees: Valerie Fratello; Mary Ann Lahive; Ginny Devlin; Deacon Frank; Carol Roberto; Kate Mason (notes)

Epoch Center Activities

- Rosary - April 21 at 11 a.m. Lucie Graveline and Fabiola Aguilera will participate.
- Spring Cards - Valerie said a few cards were made at the April 10 Coffee Hour. After discussion, we decided to each make 9 cards each using the materials Valerie brought to the meeting. We will drop them off in the alcove of the church by Sunday, April 17 and Carol Roberto will pick them to deliver them to Epoch Center during the week of the 17th.

Updates

- Easter Activities: Easter Baskets; Plants & Cards for Homebound all went well. There were about 20 Easter Baskets and 12 plants for the homebound that Joan Spano and Deacon Frank delivered to those they visit. Both reported that the plants were well received! Mary Ann will send a thank you note to Lynn Jacobs to include in the bulletin.
- Spring Clean Up Collection for Ilsa Marks Food Pantry - Ginny Devlin updated us that she had sent a note to Lynn Jacobs for the bulletin to announce the intent of the Spring Clean Up collection the weekend of April 30-May 1.
- Soup Kitchen - Fabiola has been in contact a number of other organizations that support Main Spring Soup Kitchen to understand how they organize, fund and retain volunteers for the effort. She provided a handout with three different models and is in the process of continuing to interview more organizations.
- Personal Care Kits - Possible Recipients: Evelyn House; HUGS - After lengthy discussion, we decided to get more information from Evelyn House and Hugs on how they toiletries can be used. Kate will continue to reach out to both organizations.
- Opportunities for collaboration with youth ministry for 2017 - this conversation was postponed to allow the Spring activities to take place. Planning discussions will begin in June.

Homebound Ministry Deacon Frank will coordinate the Homebound Ministry for OLOS Parish. He has spoken to a few parishioners who are currently involved in this ministry to gather information on current practices. OLOS has parishioners at Epoch, in private housing in Sharon and at Norwood Hospital. Deacon Frank is in process of creating a set of guidelines for use in ministering to the homebound; he is seeking parishioners interested in joining this ministry.

June CSC Dinner - We are looking at either June 22 or 23 for the annual CSC dinner and agreed to a potluck once again. Valerie has offered her home for the occasion. Kate will check with Lynn to see Fr. Vinnie's availability

Next Meeting - Tuesday, May 10, 2016 Bullock Center 7:30 p.m.