

NOTES
OLOS Christian Service Commission
Tuesday, March 8, 2016 **Bullock Center 7:30 a.m.**

Attendees: Valerie Fratello; Mary Ann Lahive; Ginny Devlin; Deacon Frank Tremblay; Fabiola Aguilera; Kate Mason

Welcome New Members - Fabiola Aguilera & Deacon Frank!

Epoch Center Activities

- Next **recitation of the Rosary** is March 17 at 11 a.m. Ginny Devlin and Fabiola will attend with Lucie Graveline
- Valerie will talk with Mary Herx-Morrill and Lynn Jacobs about making **Spring cards** at the Coffee hours on April 3 and April 10 and then confirm with us. Valerie will be at both coffee hours and is would like one helper at each.

Update on Easter Giving Tree

- Mary Ann Lahive said all the **Easter Basket tags** were taken for Evelyn House as well the 12 tags for **plants for our housebound** parishioners. Both are beginning to come back. Mary Ann will let us know if she needs help with filling or delivering the baskets to Evelyn House.
- Kate Mason has spoken with Joan Spano to take plants to the housebound people she sees; Deacon Frank has spoken to Connie Malloy and will take plants to the people she usually sees; Mary Ann offered to take one to Ginny DeCoste.

Discussion on Next Projects:

- **Spring Clean Up Collection** - Ginny Devlin projected the following dates for the Spring Clean Up Collection for the Ilse Marks Food Pantry May project: Collection April 30 & May 1; Bulletin articles and pulpit announcements on April 16-17; 23 & 24. Ginny will check with the food pantry and send notices to Lynn Jacobs (bulletin) & Mary Herx Morrill (pulpit).
- **Personal Care Kits** - We discussed whether these Personal Care Kits are being well received. Kate said that Evelyn House was thrilled to receive the Care Kits (about 100) last year. We are not sure of Dove House and speculated that there may not be an easy place to store the kits prior to use. Valerie suggested we consider contacting HUGS group in Sharon to see if they have a need. Kate will do that in time for the next meeting. If we do a collection, it will be done in May after the Spring Clean-up Collection. Update at the next meeting.
- **Soup Kitchen at Main Spring** - Fabiola Aguilera has agreed to lead the pilot of an Adult Service Project with MainSpring. This is a renewal of an activity that was led by a parishioner for 20 years. Fabiola has gathered a lot of information on the previous activities and from Main Spring. The CSC agreed to pilot this in September or October and acknowledged we will need: to be organized; to have funding (about \$400 each time) and to have volunteers to cook and serve. Fabiola will schedule time for her and Kate to discuss with Fr. Vinnie, especially the funding and will then talk with the Finance Council. Fabiola will also contact the UU church in Sharon to get input on how they organize their visits to MainSpring. Update at the next meeting.
- **Opportunities for collaboration with youth ministry** (discussion postponed until Kate can have a conversation with Teresa Cody)

Next Meeting - Tuesday, April 12th, 2016 Bullock Center 7:30 p.m.