

**November 20, 2023**

**7:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**Spiritus Christi Parish Community Forum**

**Meeting Start Time:** 7:03 pm

**Opening Prayer** - Colleen Farley

**Introduction of Staff** - John O’Gorman

**Staff Present:**, Rev. Myra, Mike Ramich,, Rev Celie, Mark Bennett, Aaron Lynch, Ruth Cowing, Eileen Hurley, Lauren Urzetta, Amy Durkee

**Numbers attending:** 9 on zoom, 25 live = total 34

- **Meeting Overview and Framework - Colleen Farley**
  
- **Pastor’s Report**
  - **First PCF at 9:30 mass**
  - **People joined online and in the room**
  - **Put out packet of info for all parish vote**
  - **Vote passed 88% yes**
  - **538 total voted**
  - **Next steps get committees together**
    - **Homecoming board**
    - **Holy helpers**
    - **Finance team**
  - **Amazing MH liturgies and walk**
  - **Rolled out Invest in SpiritUS team**
  - **Adopt a family**
    - **Team served 88 families \$1100**
    - **Christmas still recruiting donors for families**
  - **Started with asylum seekers with a luncheon**
    - **Heard from them that they didnt have clothing**
    - **Started clothing closet on second floor**
    - **Come several days a week**

- Need men shoes sneakers coats small and med
- Womens coats small and med
- Children 8-15 size
- Will house bicycles
- Hotel gave us bike racks
- Partnered with DUPC
- Installed in back parking lot
- Within 2 weeks all were stolen
- Myra shared story next week
- Officer Moses Robinson gave back 17 bikes to group
- Decided that former placement of rack to back was not ideal
- Will move bike rack to the front and city hall will round on them 24-7
- Myra Aaron Lynch and parishioners went to Chiapas Mexico
  - Met scholarship recipients
  - Fiesta of food
  - Stayed in families homes
  - Visited coffee coop
  - Did a pastoral visit
  - Visit indigenous people
- Celebrated Haiti HOPE
  - Dr Tony went back to address charges
    - Charges were dropped
  - Mary Magdalene hosted HOPE coffee hour
  - HOPE ALive concert
- Lauren and volunteers lead a youth retreat
  - Invest supports youth ministry
  - Theme modern day discipleship
    - What does it mean to be a disciple
    - What does it take to be a disciple
    - Who are modern day disciple

- Walk with the marginalized who are then and why do we walk with them not behind or in front of the
  - Magical time
    - Because of money to the ministry this happens
    - Took prayer of St Francis and turned to our prayer
    - Thank you for your support
  - No questions
- Mental Health Center
  - Mission increase access to mh care who don't have insurance or who have other reason
  - Offer one on one and peer support
  - Raki breathing yoga if someone interested in offering something they are always interested in looking at other offering
  - How they find out
    - Doctors
    - 211
    - Private therapist refer to them
    - Referred by people who are with them currently
  - On third floor at DUPC but spread all over
  - 3 paid staff Amy Durkee MArk Potter and Eileen Hurley
  - 12 volunteer license therapist
  - 3 peer support who work in the group
  - 1 peer support specialist meets people in community
  - Yoga teacher
  - About \$72000 in donated services
  - Saw 204 people increase from last year
  - Group they run for survivors of sexual assault will offer again in Jan 4 weeks with an additional 2 week add on
    - Day and time is not advertised
  - Quotes From survey

- You folks really listen I'm scared of most people and that makes me not want to ask for help but you listen and that makes me glad
  - I believe that i wouldn't be receiving any care without your kind and caring staff
- Eileen
  - Meet mostly with young people
  - Sometimes barriers are family situation
  - Not comfortable with the mental health center
  - Supervising Mark getting his MSW
  - Gun violence survivors 14-30 all young men disadvantaged difficult home
  - Gunshot wounds rendered them paralyzed
  - Trying to find an affordable wheelchair apt when you have a criminal record is very difficult
  - Rochester Spinal association partnership
    - Very intensive work
    - Meet people in hospital at home
    - She doesn't know who else would be helping these people
    - Living in homes they can't get out of because of stairs
  - Questions
    - How did the walk go
      - Awesome
      - More poorly attended
      - Breast Cancer walk was same weekend as ours
      - Goal was \$30,000 was at \$29,500
      - Beautiful event
- Invest in SpiritUS campaign
  - Myra spoke about finances and how collection had been flat lined as an average
  - Got standing ovation

- Talked about everything that is going on at parish
- Slides
- People we are able to serve
- Spiritus is a place where we have our arms spread out for people
- 40 people have started or increased automatic deduction
- Do there own through their bank
- Others put Spiritus in their wills
- Lots of ways to give
- Got nice notes form people along the way
- Note
  - Use this money wherever most needed we trust the staff
  - We took a look at where we spend our money and we will increase \$25 week
  - Whatever we give will never measure the bounty we receive from this parish
- Have had people say they can
- T right now but will infuture
- One person said they like writing check as they think about tithing
- Question
  - Someone over 72 required to do a deduction from IRA is there a way to do automatic deduction from them
    - Answer it depends on the company
- **New Business**
  - No new business
  - Shout out to Aaron
  - Thank you to Trevor who is learning zoom
  - Thank you for coming
  - Thank you for changing the date

## **Closing Prayer - John O’Gorman**

Notetakers: Bridget Casselman

Manage Zoom: Trevor Carney

PCF Major Decisions Process-from Structure

Parish Community Forum Facilitators:

Trevor Carney

Colleen Farley

Kim Winden

Dave Winden

Bridget Casselman

Matt Liston

John O’Gorman