

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church
Report to Parish Pastoral Council

Family Life Committee, December 13, 2018

Committee Members: Sharon Pate, Mary Ellen Ericksen, Marilyn Good, Pam Brophy, Andrea Hebert, Susan Flynn, Tom Marano, Ray Purzycki, Kathy Upp, Susanna Bour, Mary Connell, Cathie Fugiel, Marilyn Good, Mary Ellen Turzman, Jane Wicker

1. Report of meetings and/or activities conducted by your committee since your last report:

Grandparents Room (Cathie Fugiel) – We had 3 items loaned out from the grandparents room for the month of October. Thanksgiving & Christmas will be here soon and we expect to be busy for those.

Transportation (Ray Purzycki) – Everything is the same : Diane Magie will start going to Church in November and Janet White will pick her up and Betty Hathaway will be picked up twice a month by Barb Desbiens .

Ministers of Care (Mary Ellen Ericksen) – During the month of Oct., 15 parishioners were visited through the dedication and service of the people involved in this ministry. We are in need of a few more parishioners to volunteer for this ministry, so if you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact Mary Ellen and let her know. (712) 454-4069

Welcome Committee (Marilyn Good) – The following list of Names are those of the 6 New parishioners for the Month of November 2018...

Sabia, Beverlee

Hall Pamela

Dean, David & Diana

Phillips, John & Cindy

Michael, John & Josetta Arcaro,

Robert & Pamela

I would like to also say that the “New Parishioners Brunch” in the Westchester Room went off exceptionally well this year. Everyone intermingled extremely well. You would have thought they all had been old friends just re uniting with one another after a one month separation It went very well. I would also like to compliment. Shelia with Food & Beverage, who did an outstanding job on the set up & decorations.

Also Not to be excluded was a Very Attentive waitress named, “ Johnny Sue” who did an outstanding job seeing to it that we all had everything we needed. Truly the Best Job Legends has ever preformed for Family Life..... and we are Very Thankful!!

Prayer Blankets (Kathy Upp) – We gave out **seven** blankets in November. We have changed the “Request for a Prayer Blanket” FORM to include the name of the recipient, so we can ALL pray specifically for the intended receiver.

Funeral Luncheons – (Mary Connell) – no activity with Funeral Luncheons in November...Although there have been a couple of funerals, no receptions/luncheons have been requested...probably due to renovation work in Sheehan Hall (back up locations and food are expensive and difficult to book on short notice)..we should return to the “usual” after the first of the year when the remodel is completed...I am hoping to have a thank you get-together for the 2018 Monthly Coordinators in December (if enough are in town) before Christmas...but may postpone until January if too many are away for the holidays...this is a work in progress as no date has been determined as yet...

Good Samaritan Services – (Jane Wicker) – Fr. Woods has Mass at Good Samaritan once a month and servers sign up to assist; Tony Moreno has a Communion Service there once a month; Prayer Service is performed 3-4 times a month by various parishioners, and we could always use more people. Jane Wicker will train anyone new for this ministry.

2. **Report of activity(s) to be conducted in the future:**
3. **Date, time, and place for next committee meeting:** None scheduled at this time.
4. **Request for consensus action by the Council:** None

Submitted by: Sharon Pate - **Family Life Committee Chair**