

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Report to Parish Council Social Action Committee January – February 2019

Committee Members: Patty Johnson, Fran Galvani, Jack Smith, Ellen Suddith, Virginia Smith, Kay Evans, Tony Moreno, Carm Shaw, Kathy Small

Report of meetings and/or activities conducted by your committee since your last report: Social Action Christmas Giving Program completed their Christmas Giving Project delivering over 450 gifts to needy children.

Dignity of Human Life: A new Spiritual Adoption program was started in January and will run for 9 months praying for unborn babies who may be in danger of abortion. Holy Cards with the specific prayer were distributed at CCW and after all Masses. The next Pro-life Rosary will be Wednesday, February 20th after 8:00 am Mass. The Pro-life was placed in the local paper with multiple signatures. Roses were placed on the altar in Memory of all babies lost to abortion. White Crosses were placed in front of Church by the K of C in memory of Babies lost in Abortion.

Meeting our Mission to Serve Those Less Fortunate in our Community and

Internationally: **Report of Activities ongoing and to be conducted in the future:**

Prison Ministry: The Spiritually adopted Prisoners are being prayed for during the Prayer of the Faithful at daily Mass. Weekly visits are being made to the Prisoners.

Haiti Mission: On going collection for Kobonal Mission continues.

St Mary's Mobile Medical Clinic: St Francis parishioners continue to volunteer at the Mobile Medical Clinic on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month when it comes to Crab Orchard. Donations of medical supplies are taken.

St Alphonsus Community Services (SACS): Donations of food have increased over the past month and are delivered to SACS each week as well as to 6 needy families. Donations were made to the St Alphonsus Christmas Basket program.

Budget Distributions: Half of the Social Action Budget allotments were distributed to local Community agencies in December. Included in the donations were Avalon Center, Bread of Life, Crab Orchard Care Center Food Pantry, Cumberland County Veterans Assistance Council, Cumberland Mountain Dental Health Program, Fairfield Glade Resident Services, Good Samaritans, Habitat of Humanity, Hospice, House of Hope, Peavine Care Center and St Mary's Mobile Medical Clinic. A Christmas Card from Father Michael Woods with our Christmas Mass schedule was sent with each donation.

3. Date, Time, and place for next committee meeting: To be determined.

Submitted by: Patty Johnson