

Xavier Peace and Justice Committee

Last meeting of the Xavier Peace & Justice Committee was held on Thursday 12/1/11 at 9:00am at Cookie's. Meeting was opened with a prayer led by Joan Recker . Minutes were approved.

Present were Joan Recker, Jean Mescher, Shirley Olberding, Bob Brunkan and Cookie Scherrman.

Absent was Ted Deacon

Committee Reports:

Respect Life : Jean reported the Right To Life March plans are continuing. Call Jean with questions 875-7248. They hope for a record turn out in 2012. National Hour of Prayer 12/8 in Convent Chapel 8:00pm to midnight.

Haiti : Haiti Mission Team 2012 has purchased airline tickets – team includes Fr. Dennis Quint, Shirley Olberding, Jan & Katie Pirc, James Goldsmith, Brett Schlarmann, Mary Thole, Jim & Joan Steger and Cookie Scherrman. List of needs will be in the bulletin.

Christmas Gift Cards for Kids Against Hunger will be sold at the December Parish Breakfast, the rectory, Fidelity(Joan Steger), Shirley Olberding and Cookie Scherrman. A way to make shopping easy and a way to save lives.

Care & Share : Committee suggestions for bi-monthly collections was approved by the parish council :

Jan. – Kids Against Hunger

March – Good Samaritan Fund

May – Gabriel Project

July – Archdiocesan Mission Appeal

September – Haiti

November – Layettes/Toys/Pantry

Good Samaritan Collection will be a Home/Lenten Project – a container on the dinner table to promote awareness and donations.

Pantry area parishes and schools are having food and cash drives for the Pantry. Gifts are being donated through the Angel Gifts and other organizations. Pantry plans to help 270 families and almost 400 children will receive gifts.

Committee addressed 73 Christmas Cards to St. Francis Xavier Parishioners residing in Area care facilities.

Committee discussed the December 28th **Mass at 2:00pm in the Basilica to honor the seniors in our Spires of Faith Cluster parishes.** Committee will supply bars and cookies for the social following in Xavier Hall.

Meeting adjourned and closed with a prayer. **Next meeting will be Thursday February 2, 2012** at 9:00am at Cookie's.

Respectfully submitted,

Cookie Scherrman