

**Social Outreach Fellowship Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**St. Therese Parish**  
**February 11, 2010**

**In attendance:** Louise Johnson, Chuck Edwards, Louise Oven, Haley Hunhoff, Rick Collins Shirley Donnelly, Sue Williams

**Absent:** Jean Zutz, Jean Rasmussen

Louise Johnson opened with a prayer and a recitation of the SOFC Mission Statement.

Action Ministries were reviewed:

- **Elizabeth Ministry:** There are five Big Soo Coupon books on hand and 6 Holy Water Bottles remaining. Two personalized ornaments gifted from January Baptisms. Aleta White continues to assemble gift bags for Baptism ornaments.
- **Eucharistic Minister Outreach:** Recruiting Cathy Anderson as a Eucharistic Minister. Mary Koch is shadowing and discerning about becoming a Eucharistic Minister.
- **Parish Nurse Assistant:** Yvonne Ennis is a new volunteer and will assist Bev. Bev has been asked to take blood pressures following 4:00 P.M. Mass on Saturday. (This will require 2 additional assistants.) Requests for assistants (via the bulletin) has not resulted in any volunteers. Bev will begin doing blood pressures once monthly, alternating between 10:45 A.M. Mass and 4:00 P.M. Mass. Bev will continue to do shut-in visits and possibly hospital visits on a limited basis, however, she called shut-in parishioners to offer parish nurse visitation, and respondents declined visitation. Bev may present an “End of Life” seminar in the spring, 2011. Bev will work with Barbara Lockwood at St. Lambert School to plan a Cultural Diversity Fair for the St. Lambert students, which includes St. Therese children who attend St. Lambert School.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Fourteen shawls were distributed in January. There are twelve shawls on hand. In January, the Prayer Shawl Ministry received a \$50.00 donation for yarn and they, currently, have \$102.92 balance. Part of the proceeds from the February Social Ministry Bake Sale will be directed to the Prayer Shawl Ministry.
- **Prayer Warriors (Prayer Chain):** There were 35 prayer requests through February 8, 2010.
- **Respect Life Ministry:** There was no response from Respect Life Ministry for tonight’s meeting. It would be beneficial if the respect Life Ministry becomes more active. Chuck Edwards sent a letter to Respect Life Ministry (November 14, 2009) and has heard no response. Chuck will follow up by contacting (via phone) the Respect Life Chairman.
- **St. Lambert Volunteer School Nurse Program:** A couple people have signed up for this ministry. Barbara Lockwood contacted those people who signed up and Shirley will check with Barbara regarding current status.

- **Social Ministry:** Bake sale was held on February 13 and 14. Karen Breuer has kept the Committee informed about the upcoming Habitat for Humanity Home, in which St. Therese will participate. There has been an anonymous donation toward St. Therese's monetary contribution, which leaves an approximate balance of \$433.00 to be paid. Karen Breuer and Louise Johnson will attend the next informational meeting on March 4, 2010 and bring new information forward. Phil Olson spoke at St. Therese on January 14 to provide information relevant to the program, "Genesis". Without question, the program is worthy, however, Social Outreach Ministry decided to decline this volunteer opportunity, for now.
- **Vistations:** Home/Hospital/Assisted Living Home—No report

Fellowship Ministries were reviewed:

- **Neighborhood Parish Leaders:** This ministry has been re-named to Parish Activity Leaders (P.A.L) The P.A.L has proposed that the terms and consecutive terms be changed and the committee be comprised of ten members. (A member is defined as a couple or an individual.)
- **Baking and Cooking:** No report necessary.
- **Serving Luncheons:** No report necessary.
- **Teacher Appreciation Committee:** No report necessary.
- **Welcome Committee:** Julie Derner continues to lead this effort.

Stewardship Sign-Up—Speakers from the Social Ministry Committee will speak after all Masses on March 6 and 7. The message will include a description of the various ministries available at St. Therese Parish and encouragement to use personal gifts through volunteerism.

A closing prayer was offered by Louise Johnson and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Williams