

# Saint Mary Parish, Milton

## Interfaith Community Outreach

January 8, 2018

Present: Sabrina Elsen, Vicki Kersten, Jeff Neblock (CrossPointe), Mike Sessler, Gail Sleppekis, Rick Tomten, Steve Vicenzi, Mark Warren  
Excused: Marci Brandt, Linda Groeschl, Jessica Schafer-Locher, Jacquelyn Schuh, Mike Tracey

- I. **Prayer:** The meeting opened at 5:00 p.m. with prayer led by Mark
- II. **Minutes:** The minutes of the December 11, 2017 meeting were approved as written.
- III. **Reports:**
  - A. Senior Stockbox –The next distribution date is January 25. Rick will pick-up boxes from Echo on January 24 after 1:00 p.m. Sharon Roselle requested that we insert United Methodist Church, Milton “Open Table” flyers into the Stockboxes as an invitation to our recipients for a free meal on the fourth Saturday of each month.
  - B. Dismas – Mark reported that cards were sent to everyone that they track.
  - C. Food Pantry – 119 families were served by the Christmas basket program, which is about the same amount as last year. There was an overwhelming response for volunteers for the distribution from the FlockNote and Sign-Up Genius that was distributed. Next year the Food Pantry will adjust the drop off times. Community Action Board discussed a mom and her teen son who are homeless and sleeping in their car. As a community, we need to figure out how to deal with these situations. Perhaps Edgerton Community Outreach could teach us. At this time the Food Pantry shelves are full!
  - D. GIFTS –To date, St. Mary and CrossPointe are not scheduled to serve as host parish. Because the kitchen area in the new building is smaller, we will need to adjust the number of volunteers needed. Gifts has hired a part-time janitorial person, and the guys assist with small projects. Jeff requested that for the next time we jointly host, that we combine the entire week instead of splitting, with St. Mary taking Sunday through Thursday and CrossPointe taking the rest of the week. This is an exciting adjustment!
  - E. CrossPointe– The church has three campuses: Milton, Whitewater and Jefferson. Recently, the Milton campus added a second service on Sunday! The Whitewater campus currently has two services and Jefferson has one.
- IV. **Old Business**
  - A. **Next Event:**
    1. Community Clean-Up: While all the suggestions from last month were good, it was decided to pursue, in March or April, a one day “clean-up” of two non-profits in Milton. This could be yard work, minor repairs needed, etc. We will use this as a “test” run to see how many volunteers we get and how it works. Mark will contact the Historical Society and

Gail will talk with the Community Action Board. If both organizations are receptive, we will make plans at the February meeting.

2. Kids Against Hunger event is tentatively scheduled for April 28 in our parish center.
3. Mark/Rick/Jeff will contact Penny at Gifts to get us on the schedule.

**V. New Business**

WRTL: A request was made to have Outreach members help collect billboard donations following mass on January 20 & 21.

**VI. Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The next meeting will be held on February 12 at 5:00 p.m.

Task assignments:

Chair:	Mike Sessler
Prayer:	Marci Brandt

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.