

St. Mary Parish, Milton
PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION
Minutes

December 11, 2019

Present: Mary Jane Hendricks, Vicki Kersten, Fr. David Wanish

Excused: Betty Jo Ban, Clarence Lornson, Lisa Pokel

I. Reports

- a. Camillus Ministry:** Blood pressure screening was past weekend (December 7 & 8) and continues to go well. Mary Jane spoke with Mary Kay Mullen to see if there were suggestions for improvements/changes, etc. Mary Kay indicated that people are still using the service and see it as a benefit and doesn't see a reason to change anything.

II. Discussion

- a. St. Mary Advent Bereavement Service and Social:** The Annual Advent Bereavement Service was held this past Thursday, December 5. There were approximately 45-50 attendees, which is fewer than last year. Fr. David suggested next year to state a purpose for lighting the candle, explaining what it represents. In the past, the attendee writes the name of their deceased loved one on a card to hand to Father as they go up to receive a blessing. Father suggested next year to read aloud the deceased persons name. There was plenty of food. In 2020, the number of tables should be reduced by two.
- b. Milton Senior Christmas Party:** The Christmas party was yesterday, Tuesday, December 10 following mass. There were fewer people in attendance this year with only 6 residents present. There was plenty of food and all the food was eaten. Father requested to have enough room between the chairs so he could walk around to distribute communion.

III. Next Meeting: The next meeting is Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

IV. Adjourn: 10:57 a.m.