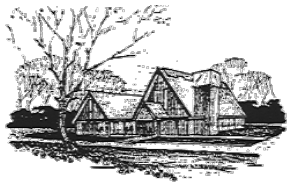


Parish Life meeting notes



Attending: Fr. Mike Kerouac, Cindie Baker, Elaine Darlington, John Darlington, Priscilla Huffman, Dick Huffman, Happy Riley, Bill Spicer

The opening prayer was offered by Fr. Mike Kerouac.

Treasurer's report

- Cindie Baker reported that the balance in the Parish Life account is currently \$14,021.55.

Update on meeting times

- After discussion, it was agreed that the next Parish Life meeting would be held on Sunday, November 12th at 10:30 AM
- Due to Cookie Walk, there will be no Parish Life meeting in December

Update on Summer Suppers

- Summer Suppers will include purchased entrees from Sam's Club to minimize the preparation time of volunteers
- Suggestion was made to pay nominal hourly rate to church teens for set up and clean up help
- Six suppers with limited prep - all expenses will be reimbursed
- Continued outreach will be provided during the year with a potluck to be scheduled in January or February
- Even with limited prep, we need to invite more volunteer support to facilitate these events

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. George's Society - Sunday, October 29th 2:00 PM

- The St. George's Society of Baltimore will again hold a British Cream Tea for their members and guests beginning at 2:00 PM in Quimby Hall; St Stephen's will provide food and staffing
- A donation will be offered to the church from the St. George's Society
- Volunteers are needed for baking and food preparation; Signup sheet will be posted at coffee hour
- A cleanup crew beginning at 5:00 PM is needed to relieve volunteers working before and during event

Cookie Walk/Silent Auction - Saturday, December 2nd

- The Cookie Walk kick-off meeting was well attended with 17 participants
- Committees for greens, decorations, gift tables, etc. were reviewed
- Recipes for easy-to-make cookies will be available at coffee hour and published in the newsletter
- We plan to offer the opportunity for Choir and Sunday School parents to enjoy involvement in this holiday event

- Everyone is encouraged to make festive-looking holiday cookies - we need many more than last year!

OTHER PROJECTS

Collecting shoes for children

- Carolyn and Fr. Mike Kerouac are supporting a collection drive of new or lightly used children's sneakers for hurricane victims
- Young teens sizes especially needed
- Collection box will be placed in Qwimby Hall - please leave sneakers donations in the box

Fundraiser opportunity

Texas Roadhouse restaurant in Hunt Valley has offered us the opportunity to benefit in their fundraiser programs:

- St. Stephen's night out at the restaurant
 - Church would select date for members to have dinner; 10% of each check would be donated by restaurant to church
 - January was suggested as possible month to implement
- Gift cards
 - Cards would be available in any denomination; 10% of total cards sold would be donated back to church.
 - Suggestion made that part of donation be given to At Jacob's Well; will be further discussed

At Jacob's Well

- Scott Taylor has made several delivery trips to AJW over the summer
- Over \$300 in supplies and cash has been donated
- Items always needed: toilet tissue, paper towels, napkins, trash bags, personal hygiene items

Coffee hour

- A 3-month rotating schedule is being developed for coffee hour volunteers
- Each volunteer would serve only once every three months
- Church will provide cheese, crackers, cookies, juice and coffee
- Contact Priscilla Huffman if you would like to be included in the rotation

Reminder: Daylight savings begins Sunday, November 5th at 12:00 AM; set clocks back on Saturday evening, November 4th

The closing prayer was offered by Fr. Mike. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM. The next Parish Life meeting will be held on Sunday, November 12th at 10:30 AM.

Priscilla and Dick Huffman
Parish Life Committee