

St. Vincent de Paul Social Concerns Meeting Minutes
 Tuesday, January 13, 2021, 6:30pm Sacred Heart Chapel Parish Center

x	JoAnn Martin	X	Bev Wilkerson	x	Susan Walker, Chair
x	Rosemary Hopper	X	Marge Watson	x	Sherry Young
X	John Shipman	x	Fr. Joe Corel	x	Sr. Mary Ruth Wand
AGENDA TOPIC		DISCUSSION SUMMARY		FOLLOW-UP	
Opening Prayer		Led by Fr. Joe			
Monthly Donations		Donations for June & July as well as October & November		Fr. Joe has the list	
Health Ministry		Bereavement going well.		Ordering Spanish copies of Journeying through Grief. More bereavement baskets are needed.	
<i>Prayer Shawls</i>		Sr. Mary Ruth has distributed prayer shawls.			
<i>Sewing Group</i>		No sewing has been taking place due to the pandemic			
<i>Rosary at Cedarhurst</i>		No group rosary being said at this time due to pandemic.			
<i>Vaccination for COVID-19</i>		Giving all information to parishioners on how to get vaccinated, is morally acceptable to use the vaccines and should be considered to be a good neighbor to those around us.			
<i>Confirmation Class</i>		Sr. Mary Ruth got Confirmation students to partner with elderly parishioners to check in with them.			
Pastoral Council		John Shipman reported next meeting will be Tuesday, January 19. Bazaar was a success and brought in a little more than \$70,000.			
Church Women United		Cheryl Brown absent. Bev Wilkerson reported they have not been meeting.			
Open Door		Open Door is still in need of canned good, especially soup.		We will begin collecting cans of soup for the "Souper Bowl"	

Warming Shelter	JoAnn Martin reported it is done at St. Patrick Chapel basement. Last year 10 churches provided volunteers. This year only 7 churches.	Rules are stricter, they must stay in one spot and masks are to be worn at all times. Hours are 7pm to 7am
Pillars of Pettis County	No meeting at this time.	
Meals on Wheels	Joy Simon is in charge.	Next time for St. Vincent de Paul to deliver will be in February.
Mercy Center	Bill Turner gave a report to Susan Walker. JoAnn Martin reported. We were shown a drawing of the building that would house all services together in one place and close to the Open Door Café. People could come for counseling or other help and could stay a few days until housing could be secured.	Pettis County Health board and Ministerial Alliance is in favor of the project. Pandemic has slowed progress. They have a builder to build the outside of the building. Catholic Charities is involved; other churches to help volunteer.
Closing prayer	Led by Fr. Joe	
Next Meeting	February 9, 2021 at 6:30pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel Parish Center	

Notes by Sherry Young/Typed by Dianne Withers