

St. Vincent de Paul Social Concerns Meeting Minutes  
 Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 6:30pm Sacred Heart Chapel Parish Center

x	JoAnn Martin (via zoom)		Bev Wilkerson	x	Susan Walker, Chair
	Rosemary Hopper	X	Marge Watson	x	Sherry Young
	John Shipman	x	Fr. Joe Corel	x	Sr. Mary Ruth Wand
x	Cheryl Brown				
AGENDA TOPIC		DISCUSSION SUMMARY		FOLLOW-UP	
Opening Prayer		Said by all			
Review of Minutes		Minutes from January were review. February meeting cancelled due to weather.			
Monthly Donation		December 2020: \$3,354.35 January 2021: \$2,477.65  Combined contribution from December and January \$2200 Martinez Parish Family who lost business to a fire on 3/9/2021		<u><b>December 2020:</b></u> \$1000 Open Door \$100 Meat for Open Door \$200 for Embassy \$50 Church Women United <u><b>January 2021:</b></u> \$1000 Open Door \$100 Meat to Open Door \$200 Embassy \$50 Church Women United \$1000 Mercy Center	
<i>Bereavement Ministry</i>		Bev Wilkerson reported supplies were needed for bereavement baskets		A note will be added to the bulletin asking for donations	
<i>Prayer Shawl</i>		Needs coordinator to purchase bags		A note will be added to the bulletin asking for a volunteer	
<i>AEDs</i>		Training		Planning fall education program	
<i>Faith Based Health Ministry</i>		Meeting in May via Zoom.		February meeting discussed of educating parishes on COVID-19 vaccine.	
<i>Pillars of Pettis County</i>		JoAnn Martin said there was less than 10% with COVID the month of February.		Free COVID testing at Katy Trail. Have to register by March 15. More places giving COVID vaccine: Walmart, Plaza West, Swords and Bothwell. CDC has new guidelines.	
Embassy House		There are currently 2 men's houses and no women's house.		One house is set up for those just coming in to the program. The second is for those who have been in the program longer.	
Mercy Center		Has a letter of intent from Catholic Charities to be a major partner in the project.		Two more grant possibilities were given by Catholic Charities to pursue for interior. Architects	

		working on updated drawings to include counseling and chaplain visit areas.
Warming Shelter	Opened 24/7 late afternoon on February 7, 2021 for several days due to extremely cold weather.	Main groups bring food from Open Door/Community Café. Breakfast donations from restaurants and grocery stores. Laundry – take out, get it done and bring it back. Other supplies: brought in hats, coats, gloves, coffee and hot cocoa. Deacon Turf Martin put in a tremendous amount of time in. Thanks to all who helped. Deacon Arvol and Janet Bartok point people to re-entry programs in Pettis County
Receptions	No receptions allowed at this time of any kind	
Closing Prayer	Lead by Fr. Joe	
Next Meeting	May 11, 2021	6:30pm in the Sacred Heart Chapel Parish Center

Notes by Sherry Young/Typed by Dianne Withers