

## Saint John the Baptist – Pastoral Outreach Commission Monthly Meeting Agenda / Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	Tues., March 22, 2022	<b>Recorder:</b>	Socchie Fondevilla	<b>Chair:</b>	Joe Jansen
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Member/Attendee	Present	Member/Attendee	Present
Louie Fondevilla	X	Mary Kohlhaas (Staff Liaison)	X
Socchie Fondevilla	X	Joni Metz	X
Heidi Hamilton	X	Cheryl Puffer	X
Jane Heinks	X	Deacon Gary Schneider (Staff)	
Joe Jansen	X	Lesia Zownirowycz	X
Jim Glaser, PLC Vice Chair (guest )	X	Marie Zimmerman	X

**A.** Opening Prayer (St. Mother Theresa’s Reflections): Joe

**B.** Approval of minutes from February Meeting

- The February POC Minutes of the Meeting was reviewed and approved.

**C. Updates: Pastoral Outreach Ministries – as of March 22, 2022**

To ensure the monthly report and update, each of the liaison is starting to connect with his/her respective Ministry by calling or approaching the coordinator/s and volunteer members or attending the Ministry’s meeting.

MINISTRY	COORDINATOR/S	UPDATES
<b>ABLE Fix-It</b> Liaison: Heidi	Corey Ebbers <a href="mailto:Dbrown8142@gmail.com">Dbrown8142@gmail.com</a> ; 763-478-7496 c & Dan Brown <a href="mailto:Ebbe0006@gmail.com">Ebbe0006@gmail.com</a> 612-385-6196 c	Heidi: more spring jobs coming; will report Ministry’s update from the coordinator/s next month when she’s got the chance to talk to them
<b>Branch III</b> Liaison: Cheryl	Claudia McKeown <a href="mailto:ClaudiaMcKeown@MN.mediaone.net">ClaudiaMcKeown@MN.mediaone.net</a> ; 612-485-0846	Cheryl: will be able to report updates from Claudia soon as she fully recovers from her major surgery. Mary: we’re not dissolving it yet; it is still viable
<b>Caregivers Support</b> Liaison: Socchie	TBA (to be arranged)	Mary: there are no events scheduled, until the coordinator/s call the first meeting Correction: There is a 1 <sup>st</sup> monthly meeting set for Tuesday, April 5 <sup>th</sup> from 1-2:30 PM.
<b>Community Service Center</b> Liaison:	Deacon Gary	Mary: update from e-mail of Deacon Gary: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We continue to support them by giving them \$3,500 annually. Michelle Chock does not want it to just auto-renew</li> </ul>

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		<p>each year, so POC should discuss and vote on continuing it each year. It has been a couple years since Matthew Goggin and Bill Spitzmueller have come and spoken to POC about this great community ministry that many area churches also support, which helps people in need prevent homelessness. FYI - Matthew was POC chair prior to Peter.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bill says it really is a well-organized and effective ministry, and our ongoing support is part of our commitment as one of the 12 founding churches to help start CSC.</li> <li>• Our last payment was last October, and to keep the payments in separate fiscal years at SJB (Jul 1 – Jun 30), we keep the Fall as the time of making our donation.</li> <li>• Bill feels that \$3,500 annually is still a good amount.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Eucharistic Ministry Liaison &amp; Coordinator:</b> Mary Kohlhaas <a href="mailto:kohlhaasm@stjohnnyb.org">kohlhaasm@stjohnnyb.org</a> 763-242-4229 c</p>		
<p><b>EM Homebound</b></p>		<p>Mary is working on it; trying to work on the whole group &amp; then call up anybody if they're ready; this time she'll partner them up as she's going through instead of making them wait. Some have already told her they're ready to go.</p>
<p><b>EM Hospitals</b></p>		<p>Distribution of the Holy Eucharist to the hospital starts after Easter. Peter Walsh is rounding up volunteers for the EM Hospital Team</p>
<p><b>EM Nursing Homes</b></p>		<p>Possibility of adding Johanna Shores Senior Living in Arden Hills to the Mass calendars. The Mass Calendar has 4 or 5 sites. Three for sure on monthly, and 1 that's quarterly. There are two Nursing Homes or Senior Living that we were serving, but we asked other parishes: St. Charles Borromeo and Corpus Christi in Roseville. It's very kind of them to step up and cover them since we don't have enough priests to do it. She does not know whether we're getting those back if we get an Associate; we may or maybe not. The Johanna Shores has not had Mass for quite some time. She had the impression that somebody else covered it. That was us long before covid. So, Mary will arrange a Mass at least once during Lent then we'll wait till Father Paul gets back to see if they're going to be in the calendar during the regular basis.</p> <p>The Villa has no Catholic presence and they should &amp; since we're so close, it should be us. Mary asked if we could go there at least occasionally. Moslems &amp; Jews are well represented not so much with the Catholics, according to hearsay. At a Pro-Life dinner Mary was told that a mother who's a resident was invited to these services. Our connection with The Villa is not very clear and is not on file. Mary is looking into what we can do to serve that community as well.</p> <p>All the new replacement pyxes are in. So, all of the EM with pyxes which have the white plastic linings should get them exchanged for those with semi-</p>

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		precious metal that should be touching the Holy Eucharist. Our thanks to Liturgy for covering the purchase.
<b>Faithfully Fit</b> Liaisons: Heidi/Lesia	Mary Hartz <a href="mailto:maryhartz@comcast.net">maryhartz@comcast.net</a> ; 651-491-3886 c  & Joanne Lundak <a href="mailto:joannelundak2@gmail.com">joannelundak2@gmail.com</a> ; 507-421-6852	Heidi: no updates since Mary Hartz just recently came back from her vacation.
<b>Food Shelf</b> Liaison: Joe	Jerry & Betty Lou Elfert <a href="mailto:jerry@elfert.us">jerry@elfert.us</a> ; 651-341-7108 c	Joe: FS had some training the other day & Mary sat in on the training.  We're looking at going back to the pre-covid where we're doing things where we had one person outside the Food Area and that person enters the data of the applicant; and then one person in the food area making sure they get whatever we have that they want. We take a note as to whether we ran out of Kleenex or toilet paper. Then we give that to Jerry, and they go out and buy what we need. It started this month. There is progress with FS.  Joe gave Jerry the pamphlet that Mary gave to him about advertising in local Church Groups that have FS. Joe is not sure if we're going to do it because we're an emergency FS and we have a defined geographic area, the Mounds View School District, plus parishioners. A lot of these other groups don't have that. So, he cannot give Mary an answer on whether we're going to join that for advertising purposes to let people know we're around.
<b>Growing Through Loss</b> Liaison: Heidi	Sue Amos-Palmer <a href="mailto:susanamospalmer@hotmail.com">susanamospalmer@hotmail.com</a> ; 651-261-3125 c	Heidi: will talk to Sue this week re: this year's Growing Through Loss Seminar starting April 21 which SJB is hosting. New brochures are coming out.  New flyers are correct except for the fact that it will be on Thursdays instead of Mondays
<b>SJB Kids Closet</b> (previously Maternity Closet) Liaison: Joni	Jacque Schmitz <a href="mailto:gischmitz@comcast.net">gischmitz@comcast.net</a> ; 651-633-0251 h	Joni: They're rebranding to be the SJB KC. Contacted more people about the kids clothing. Jacque said their aim is to find clients in the wider community, although our Parishioners are always welcome. She said that although their need for now is to build a client-base. She's working with Joseph for a Ministry web site. Any other ideas are welcome for making the Ministry more visible. So, if you have anything, especially for making connections, feel free to let her know.  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heidi suggested St. Anthony's School District where kids could come &amp; get clothes. They have the Nourish 282 program. (Heidi will check if it's ok to give the contact number of St. Anthony's contact person to Joni)</li> <li>- Jim suggested to call the public schools</li> <li>- Mary talked to Jacque about the suggestion from one of the leaders in the Compassion Connects Clinic that maybe they'd give away free diapers with the info as a way of advertising that day.</li> </ul>

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<p><b>Meals on Wheels</b> Liaison: Jane</p>	<p>Marian Briggs <a href="mailto:Marian.Briggs9@gmail.com">Marian.Briggs9@gmail.com</a>; 651-631-9395 h</p>	<p>Jane: updates for a month now- they're good. They got all the people they need. We have a hard time to get all the people they have to fit into the eight slots they have. Basically 'nothing to see here'</p>
<p><b>SJB Missions</b> Liaison: Jane</p>		
<p><b>1. Building Bridges Liberia</b></p>	<p>Naomi Hard <a href="mailto:Naomihard58@gmail.com">Naomihard58@gmail.com</a>; 612-616-7907 h</p>	<p>Jane: Naomi is back from her Liberian trip two days ago; will update next POC meeting. Has no complete report yet except that those people Jane met in 2013 are asking when she's going to come back. One of the families they met there had no babies at the time, now they're on baby number 3. Jane is going to touch base with Naomi for more details.</p>
<p><b>2. Family Missions Company</b></p>	<p>Steven &amp; Anita Fierro <a href="mailto:Steve.fierro@gmail.com">Steve.fierro@gmail.com</a>; 651-769-4327 c</p>	<p>Jane: In Haiti, no one can go in or out. They're sending money to their contact people who are there so that they can rebuild. Caucasians aren't travelling there because of the risk of being kidnapped &amp; held for ransom.  Even Adam, our missionary down there, who's married a native woman came here to work for income so he could afford to get his family out of Haiti.  The woman they met who's the director of Old Folks Home had six miscarriages and the stipend per month Jane sent helped her and she has conceived 2 kids.</p>
<p><b>3. Mary's Meals</b> Liaison: Mary</p>	<p>Mary Kohlhaas <a href="mailto:kohlhaasm@stjohnnyb.org">kohlhaasm@stjohnnyb.org</a>; 763-242-4229</p>	<p>Mary: This year's event is planned on Thursday before SJB Fall Festival, so they have to move the venue to Lino Lakes to have Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, the Founder, as speaker</p>
<p><b>Quilters</b> Liaison: Joni</p>	<p>Helen Houle 763-786-1512 h; 763-350-6556 c &amp; Anne Selmer <a href="mailto:johnann@q.com">johnann@q.com</a>; 651-484-5598 h</p>	<p>Joni: submitted to Mary the list of volunteers  Q: Is it possible to do, in one Mass, the blessing of the quilts, where Parishioners tied the knots?  Mary found some place for the quilts, Jill Flink was looking for prayer shawls for her RCIA Group. She was looking for some material thing to represent each of the elements of the Sacraments. Some of the quilts are going to that.  Quilts will go to anybody who wants to can ask for one and can come and choose one. If you know somebody who is chronically ill or who could use it for whatever's going on with them, they just need to know that God loves them and wrap that around them to remind them. We just ask for the name of the person who's picking it up, who they're getting it for, the date and why on the sign-up sheets in the storage room.  Joni: The challenge of the working space. They have new chairs but they're looking for new options because that room's not big enough for the materials of the Quilters. Mary does not think the location is going to change and that they just have to adjust. She reminds them to use the hallway. Joni's suggestion is to split the group and meet once a week.</p>

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<p><b>Respect Life</b> Liaison: Lesia</p>	<p>Jacque Schmitz <a href="mailto:gischmitz@comcast.net">gischmitz@comcast.net</a>; 651-633-0251 h</p>	<p>Lesia: first soup supper on Friday and it was done in tandem with St. Vincent de Paul. On March 27 they're planning on another parent-blessing after the 10:30am Mass On 3/29 there's going to be a Talk in St. Stephen's Catholic community, Anoka, on "The Truth about Assisted Suicide" by Lynn Varco at 6:30pm On Good Friday, 4/15 at Planned Parenthood will have a whole day prayer service. There will be bus to go up there. Father Paul usually goes but he'll be back on April 7 yet. 4/29 -Banquet here at SJB for the Pro-life across America 5/8- Mother's Day getting flowers for the women 6/11- they will see if anyone is interested in volunteering for the Compassion Connect Clinic</p>
<p><b>Young at Heart</b> (previously Senior Sparks) Liaison: Marie</p>	<p>Julie Delaney <a href="mailto:julpat@gmail.com">julpat@gmail.com</a>; 763-571-9633</p>	<p>Marie: asked for the list of volunteers Mary: a new Ministry renamed YAH. There will be a meeting this Thursday (2-4pm) for volunteers to decide on what they want to do in the future-</p>
<p><b>Sharing &amp; Caring Hands</b> Liaison: Joe</p>	<p>Mary Schutz <a href="mailto:Schutz10@msn.com">Schutz10@msn.com</a>; 763-242-4563 c</p>	<p>Joe talked to Matt who is going there tomorrow for the lunch program that they have once a month in SJB. He said that it's been not as well attended by clients, the people to get the food. Mary: we got way over 200 (around 230) blankets that Marty is was looking for a month ago. Marty said that they are putting together 160 Easter baskets for the children. There's a group here in the church that will put them in baskets.</p>
<p><b>St. Vincent de Paul Society</b> Liaison: Louie Regular Meeting: First Tuesday of the month</p>	<p>Matt Goggin <a href="mailto:mgoggin@carlsoncaspers.com">mgoggin@carlsoncaspers.com</a>; 651-636-5406h</p>	<p>Louie: Submitted the SVP List of Volunteers a. Last Tuesday's meeting, the members stapled envelopes on the bags for the Food Drive. We distributed 700 bags after each of the Mass. The bags collection will be before and after Saturday, March 26 &amp; Sunday, March 27 Masses. On Monday, March 28 at 9:30am, SVP members will be loading to volunteers' vehicles for dropping off the collected bags to Ralph Reeder b. The next project will be spring clothing drive. c. Joe reported that before covid, we would go down to Simpson House twice a year to feed the people meals. They started doing that again with other groups. Our group is assigned on 5/11. We'll start making the food at 3:00pm. Some more people come around 5:00-5:30pm to load the food in their cars &amp; trucks and drop them off at the Simpson House, serve the food, clean-up. d. Joe invited Jim to attend the next SVP meeting in Room 210</p>

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<b>Widows/Widowers Group (W/WG)</b> Liaison:	TBA	Mary: had lunch at Perkins last March 14 <sup>th</sup> ; two people came. It's been a very good thing to get together with other people with the same specific experiences.
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- Updates** on who's group is assigned to write an article for the Parish Bulletin.
- i. March: Joni- on Maternity Closet (wait for rebranding)/ Quilters
  - ii. April: Jane- on Meals on Wheels
  - iii. May: Louie – on St. Vincent de Paul

**D. New Items**

- a. **Families Helping Families.** Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:30-8:30pm, St. Joseph's Hall-
  - Mary: Different groups in the Parish hosts little activities or service projects that families can participate in. In the past, people were taught how to make the cord rosaries; making fleece blankets where you cut them into certain size and then a knot fringe on them you don't put two layers together because that's too hot and we give them to the Linus Project, an organization that collects blanket for children and teens who are either with traumatic or chronic illnesses; there is a Sandwich Project- stored in the freezer then handed out to families as needed; putting together the Easter baskets; some are putting together bags of personal hygiene items for the homeless.
  - It's been suggested making prayer rings for first Reconciliation & Communion kids or as gifts for the Easter baskets.
- b. **Anointing Mass & Luncheon-** Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00am - helpers needed for food preparations at the kitchen.
- c. **Compassion Connects Clinic-** Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9am-4pm, Highview Middle School- looking for
  - specialty volunteers: Looking for nurses, PAs, eye doctors, chiropractors, dentists, hair stylists, etc.
  - donations: toothpaste & toothbrushes; old prescription glasses(to connect with the Lion's Club)
  - look for day volunteers: volunteers for childcare, lunch help, social services, etc.

<b>OTHER ACTION ITEMS: (as of February)</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>as of March</b>	<b>Status</b>
i. Goals Stakeholders: Need to update the <b>POC Goals</b> Jane: What is our succession/replacement procedure if a POC member decides to retire or leave his/her post?	In-progress	Add: <b>Succession Process</b> to the POC Goals	In-progress

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ii. Volunteer: to develop a <b>website page for Seniors</b> in our Parish website		No action	
iii. Mary & Liaisons: Build a <b>POC calendar</b> of regular activities of all the Ministries.		Mary requested for Joni & Cheryl's help	
iv. Liaisons: <b>List of Volunteers</b> & their Ministries	In-progress	Some Ministries had submitted their list	In-progress
v. <b>Vetting Process</b> Q. If our SJB CCW will participate in the St. Paul and Minneapolis Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women Appalachia, does it have to go through our vetting process? Jane: I have no answer. Shall we take it up to the PLC?		Presented to the PLC for ACTION on March 22	

### Closing Meeting

- Closing Prayer: Mary
- Adjourn
- Next POC Meeting: Tuesday, April 26

**Next Meeting Dates:** May 17, June 7

<p>Minutes approved by: Mary Kohlhaas, Pastoral Ministry Office</p>	<p>Minutes recorded by: Socchie Fondevilla</p>
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