

Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water
Area Service Committee Minutes
May 6, 2014 @ 7:00 pm
Church of St. Patrick, Kandiyohi, MN

- I. Evening began with group prayer, Vision, and remarks by Fr. Steve Verhelst, Pastor.
- II. Members present: Barb Stahl and Helaine Bolter, and unable to attend Doug Wilkowske, Monica Amaral, Laura Brown. Staff Mary Nordstrom and Fr. Jerry Paulson also attended.
- III. Discussion and information items:
 - A. **Homelessness:** The Area Service committee has proposed a sub-committee of four to six persons that would serve as the contact from our Area Faith Community for Family Promise. There are two persons that have indicated an interest in serving. We are in need of making contact with at least four more persons to represent each of our area parishes. Some responsibilities for this group could be to obtain volunteers as requested by a Host church; attend the Family Promise meetings for information, when necessary and etc.
 - B. **March Food Drive:** Report was submitted on the distribution of the funds from our Area Faith Community to the Area Food Shelf reported a total of \$5,924 in cash along with food that was donated from all the area parishes. Evaluation of the project: More publicity with larger posters; Explain how the Food Shelf can purchase foods with dollars.
 - C. **Relay for Life Kandiyohi County:** March is scheduled for July 25 at the Willmar Middle School. An invitation will be placed in the bulletin to all area parishioners to join the St. Mary Marchers.
 - D. **“Did You Know...”** Suggestions were made to share facts about each of our parishes; Listing of persons that serve us in the armed services for Memorial Day and/or Flag Day; Retreats that are available for men & women and other groups; June is Int’l month against Drug Abuse & Trafficking; July is Relay for Life month.
- IV. Future Agenda Items:
 - a. “Did You Know”
 - b. Homelessness Sub-committee
 - c. Membership of the Service Committee

Respectfully submitted,
Helaine Bolter, Staff