Corpus Christian Service Commission Minutes of Meeting, January 2, 2020 (Meeting date change due to Sr. Joann's unavailability on January 8)

Parish Offices, 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Ruth Luptowski, Mary Jo Meissner, Guin Petrimoulx, Judy Reif, Jan Slezak, Jim Wisneski, Judy Wisniewski, Lynda Witbrodt. **Absent:** Nancy Baker. **Staff:** Sr. Joann Plumpe.

Handouts: Christian Service Commission Minutes, November 13, 2019; Report on funeral luncheon teams and procedures.

Prayer. Meditation and Prayer by Jan Slezak. (God is the "potter" and we are the "clay") **Approval of November, 2019 Minutes.** Accepted as written. **Old Business.**

- **St. Vincent de Paul.** Jan presented combined activity reports for November and December. The combined numbers were: Volunteer hours, 223; food requests: 121 requests (68 pickups, 40 deliveries and 13 no shows); Clients served: 287 (Adults, 199; Children, 88; new clients, 9). Value of food given, \$11,556; vouchers given, 108, value, \$625. Jan answered questions from members.
- **Helen Nickless Volunteer Medical Clinic.** A thank you note was received from the staff at the Helen Nickless Volunteer Clinic for meals provided for them in 2019. Judy W. reported that another three dates will be chosen for 2020 and that new volunteers from the 2019 stewardship sign up slips will be contacted and the program procedures explained to them in advance of being called to participate.
- **Good Samaritan Rescue Mission.** Mary Ann has not had any communication with the mission during the holidays.
- Giving Tree. Sister Joann reported on a very successful project in regards to parishioner participation in all steps necessary to carry out the project. 125 children from the Gladwin area each received two gifts (1 clothes and 1 toy); \$3,435 in money donations were received and was used to buy gifts for ornaments not taken off the tree and also for local families; 2/3 of money leftover was donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Store to help provide help with utility expenses for people in need of that help and the other 1/3 of money leftover was sent to the Gladwin area Christmas Kindness program to provide for family needs during rest of the year.

New Business.

- Alzheimer's Presentation. Commission members agreed that a Sunday in Lent would be a good choice. Ruth agreed to contact the parish office to see when Lenten penance service was to be scheduled so that we would not be in conflict with that service. Ruth will also then contact Jennifer Giddings-Essenmacher of the Alzheimer's Association to set up a presentation date.
- Future Date for Meeting at Good Samaritan Rescue Mission. Mary Ann will call to possibly set up a time for commission members to tour their facilities and possibly hold our February meeting there.
- **Funeral Lunches.** Commission members each received a written report on procedures followed when the parish is asked to provide a luncheon. Questions were asked and answered concerning procedures. Three team captains were present at the meeting to give first-hand information. It takes over 200 parishioners to provide this service.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 12. Date and time to be announced.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Wisniewski, Secretary