

## Social Outreach Committee Minutes

Prayer Room, Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Attendees: Mary Ann Jurak, Jane Berkeley, Maggie McIntyre, Mary Haggard, Sharon Armstrong, Marianne Brooks, Korby Collins, Colleen McKenna, Jeanette Nappier

- Opening prayer
- Announcement: Korby
  - Drop off AI cans for recycling at the Lakewood Fire Station, not the Lake Rd. Transfer Station
- Creation Care: Jeanette, Sharon
  - A plastic lined box will be available for empty AI cans at the SCPW
  - A Rustbelt Riders bucket will be available for food scraps Saturday evening
  - Solar panels for St. Chris have been discussed
- Christmas in July: Korby
  - A bulletin announcement will appear June 14, 21, 28 and July 5, 12
- Christmas GIFT Program: Jeanette, Marianne, Mary Ann, Jane, Maggie, Colleen
  - Final revisions to the liaison task list were made; copy follows minutes
  - Initial review of the remaining tasks for this program
    - Communications Lead: coordinate liaisons, coordinate parish staff, bulletin announcements, mass announcements,
    - Collection Lead: places gift tags in church and oversees collection
    - Distribution Lead: coordinates activities on Dec 13
    - Reporting Lead: thank you notes, bulletin thank you, Belltower Beacon article, and year-end report for SOC minutes
- Catholic Conference of Ohio: Jeanette
  - Our senator and representative to the Ohio legislature can be found at [findmydistrict.ohiosos.gov](http://findmydistrict.ohiosos.gov)
  - The Conference supports HB 554, which requires entities to accept cash payment
  - This bill supports unbanked households
    - The severely under-resourced
    - The prudent laborer
    - Those who risk excess digital spending
  - Contact your Ohio representative to support this bill
- Ladies Guild: Jane
  - June 24 Tai Chi with Mary Holz at St. Chris 7pm
  - July 23 Tiaze Prayer Service and pot luck 7pm
  - August 4 Evening Prayer Walk at Clague Park 7pm
- Next meeting August 4, 2026, Prayer Room at 12:00 pm **(no meeting in July)**

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Nappier

June 4, 2026

## Christmas GIFT Program

### Liaison Task List

#### SEPTEMBER: Initial Contact

- Contact agency by phone from our established list. Determine if they would like to participate in the St. Chris Christmas GIFT Program again this year.
- Liaison receives PDF copy of gift tag from St. Chris (Colleen McKenna).
- Ask if last year's wish list is good or if changes are needed. (May need to send PDF copy of Gift Tag to agency).
- All gifts/donations must be picked up by the agencies or the liaison by **December 13th at 1:30** in the Parish Center. Gifts/donations CANNOT be left at St. Chris after that time.
- Exchange email addresses. NOTE: Past experience suggests using email to communicate with agencies from this point on works most effectively, but phone conversations/text will work too.

#### OCTOBER: Confirm Updated List

- Contact agency in early October to confirm final list of desired gifts and email the list and agency name to Colleen McKenna [cmckenna@stchrisparish.com](mailto:cmckenna@stchrisparish.com).
- Colleen will create the new Gift Tag and send to you for your and agency approval.
- Return approved gift tag to Colleen by **October 20<sup>th</sup>**.

#### DECEMBER: Pick-up Details

- Contact agency early in the week of December 6<sup>th</sup> to confirm pickup arrangement: **Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30**. Obtain both the email address & phone number of the person picking up the gifts in case of last-minute complications.
- Agency picks up gifts on **December 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30**. If agency can't pick them up at that time, the liaison must remove the gifts from St. Chris.
- Provide suggestions for next year.