

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE MEETING COMBINED PARISHES

**Thursday, March 24th, 2022
St. Anthony's Church Hall**

The meeting was called to order by Rhonda Fulwiler. Members present were Fr. Leo, Barb Kingsbury, Camille Genteman, Judy Morrow and Joyce Rondorf.

Fr. Leo led us in our opening prayer. Barb reported on the Loyal Food Pantry. In February there were 120 households using the pantry; 13 of these were new. So far in March, there were 11 new households. The food pantry is appreciative of our Lenten project.

Judy reported on the House of Mercy. Right now the families in the house have 7 active children. One will be leaving soon.

Fr. Leo brought us up to date on the Saikeri project and the "Life in Light" project. He shared a letter he received from Fr. John in Kenya and information on the India project. The people in both countries are happy with our continued support.

We discussed our Lenten projects; "Angels Among Us" and "Coins for a Cause". Both are proceeding nicely in all three parishes. The Ukraine Humanitarian Needs project is extended until April 8th. First delivery was 2 cars loaded. Will not take used items. Items donated "used" or not on the list are being donated to the Food Pantries, HOM Thrift Store and Aging baskets.

The convent building in Loyal was discussed. There is a possibility that it might be leased out to Tractors for Autism. There will be more discussion next meeting.

Next meeting is Thursday, June 9th, 2022 starting at 6:30 at St. Anthony's Parish Hall.

Submitted by Joyce Rondorf
Committee Secretary