

The IHM Outreach Commission met on Thursday, January 9, at 7PM in the basement library.

The agenda included:

1. Opening prayer
2. Minutes from 11/14 meeting
3. Transformational Outreach Ministry update
4. Ash Wednesday Ministry Opportunity
5. 2019-2020 Budget Update
6. Indy Learning Team grant request
7. Outreach Marketing

Outreach Corner Write-ups completed:

- a. Service Saturdays
 - b. Honduras Missions
 - c. Men's Club
 - d. St. Vincent de Paul
 - e. Respect Life/Birthline
 - f. Boulevard Place Food Pantry
 - g. Cathedral Soup Kitchen
 - h. IHM Community Garden
 - i. School Day of Service
8. Outreach Ministries trifold brochure approval
 9. Other Ministry updates
 10. Faith & Action Spring Conference April 30
 - a. Keynote by Nisha Patel, Executive Director, US Partnership on Mobility from Poverty
 11. Closing prayer

Attendees: Gary Ahlrichs, Scott Lowe, Allison Gardener, Larry Dougherty and JoJo Murphy (from the Parish Council).

2. The minutes from the 11/14/19 meeting were approved without comment or correction.

3. Scott provided an update on the Transformational Outreach meeting on Jan 7. Below is a summary of the Vision, Focus and Goals:

Vision: Outreach that transforms IHM - helps us to better utilize our gifts to enable others, and also to understand and improve upon our weaknesses. We will do this by partnering more actively with organizations outside IHM, and by learning and practicing the principles of transformational outreach.

Focus: Poverty Reduction ("making the food line shorter")

Goals:

1. Learn and document the principles of transformational outreach & develop an assessment tool.
2. Sponsor educational events to increase IHM knowledge of principles of transformational outreach.
3. Help and build upon existing IHM efforts that are already following the principles of transformational outreach.
4. Learn more about ongoing poverty alleviation initiatives in Indy, especially near IHM. Explore opportunities to support such initiatives.
5. Establish a mutually beneficial partnership with a group outside IHM that helps moves us toward our vision.

4. The Outreach Commission, especially the new Transformational Outreach ministry, will be hosting the Ash Wednesday Soup Supper on Feb 26. Each ministry will have an opportunity to highlight their work.

5. The budget was reviewed, with an emphasis on spending what we have by June 30. St. Vincent de Paul has moved the remaining budget to their operating account. They may need additional funds for the remainder of the fiscal year. One suggestion was to highlight the Changing Lives Forever program on the fifth Sunday collection envelopes.

6. The grant request from the Indy Learning Team for \$750 was reviewed and discussed. The grant was approved without dissention.

8. The new Outreach Ministries trifold brochure was discussed and approved for additional printing with minor changes. The goal will be to pass out copies in all masses during Lent.

9. Ministry updates:

Men's Group: Supported St. Anthony's School by:

- Chaperoned the 4th and 6th grade to IRT. 3 men for 6 hours
- Chaperoned the 6th grade to Children's Museum 3 men for 9 hours
- Helped with the Scholastic Book Sale. 4 men for 9 hours
- Children's December mass collection-\$283
- Anonymous Christmas donations to the Men's Group-\$4000
- Kroger gift cards for needy families from SVDP-\$320
- Christmas gifts for staff-\$860
- Paid entrance fee for 15 students to the CYO Music competition-\$210

St. Vincent de Paul: A rag collection to help raise funds for the Indianapolis Council will be held in the spring.

Respect Life: the annual Right to Life march to the statehouse will be held on Jan 22 at noon. Also, a car full of Giving Tree donations was delivered to Birthline after the holidays.

DECEMBER 2019-20 YTD OUTREACH COMMISSION ACTIVITY								
	B/S Account	2019-2020 Budget	Beg Balance in Reserve	Fundraisers/Special Collections	Total Amount Available	YTD Expenses	Balance Remaining	Comments
Honduras -Adult trip	2402413	\$ 6,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,300	\$ -	\$ 6,300	
Honduras -Youth trip	2402413	\$ 5,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,300	\$ -	\$ 5,300	
Honduras -Young Adult trip	2402413	\$ 5,300	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,300	\$ -	\$ 5,300	
Honduras - Christmas Trip	2402413	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ (1,000)	\$ -	Christmas Brigade
Respect Life	2402413/2402410	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,590	\$ -	\$ 2,890	\$ (486)	\$ 2,404	Baby wipes (\$61), Dinner table RTL (\$425)
Caring Community	2402413	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ (135)	\$ 865	Christmas Cards (\$25), Mass Intentions (\$110)
IHM School Outreach	2402413	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000	
MOMS Service Ministries	2402413	\$ 750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 750	\$ -	\$ 750	
General Outreach	2402413	\$ 3,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,750	\$ -	\$ 3,750	
Healthy Haughville Knitting Ministry St. Patrick Xmas Party	2402413	\$ 900	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 900	\$ (50)	\$ 850	Hygiene items (\$50)
Garden Ministry	2402404	\$ -	\$ 2,348	\$ -	\$ 2,348	\$ (393)	\$ 1,956	Planting day signs (\$172.50), Mulch (\$173), Plants/supplies (\$47)
Anna's House/Lord's Pantry	2302330/2402407	\$ 4,840	\$ 500	\$ 504	\$ 5,844	\$ (816)	\$ 5,028	School Mass Collections 8/30, 9/13, & 9/27, Wednesday Night dinners (\$816)
Boulevard Place Food Pantry	2302330	\$ 11,110	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,110	\$ (3,600)	\$ 7,510	July - Dec monthly donations (\$600x 6 months)
SVDP - IHM parishioner requests & support for Indy SVDP programs	2302330	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ (4,000)	\$ -	Request for payment to fund account August, November, & December
Cathedral Soup Kitchen	2302330	\$ 1,345	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,345	\$ (500)	\$ 845	1st Qtr donation (\$250), 2nd Qtr donation (\$250)
OUTREACH TOTAL		\$ 47,895	\$ 4,438	\$ 504	\$ 52,837	\$ (10,979)	\$ 41,858	
Mens Group	2402412	\$ -	\$ 11,190	\$ 8,545	\$ 19,735	\$ (4,240)	\$ 15,495	School Supplies donation \$100, Individual donations \$6,700, Golf Outing proceeds \$1,300, School Mass \$445, St. Anthony's whiteboard (\$256), Gym Wall Mats (\$508), 1st grade carpet (\$340), School supplies (\$380), Art supplies (\$591), Underwear (\$30), Toilet Paper (\$1011), Staff Christmas gifts (\$860), School supplies, goodies for staff (\$265)

Cathedral Food Kitchen: IHM's support for this work has been well-staffed during the past several months. Summer requires special support due to vacations and students out of school.

Honduras mission update; We have a group of 8 men and 8 women traveling down February 3 to February 10. We are working hard to gather donations—it's always a tight squeeze between the holidays and this trip. We'll have a list of needs in the IHM bulletin soon and flyers at church entrances, with boxes in the vestibules. We are collecting school backpacks (we need about 200), household (Home Makeover) items like sheets, towels, dishes, and pots and pans, and underwear, white and black school socks, and undershirts to help with school uniforms. Also, we inaugurated the Father Jeff Travel Scholarship to help provide financial aid to IHM adults and young adults traveling to Honduras. Father Jeff directed all the funds he received at his 50th Anniversary party to Friends of Honduran Children, who will administer the scholarship: about \$500 to one or two IHM travelers each year. The first scholarship is going to a February traveler who is a first-timer to Honduras and a single dad who wouldn't be able to make the trip without the aid.

MOMS: Advent giving tree was another year of amazing, generous support from our parish. We served birth line, and students from 2 schools-St. Anthony and Holy Angels. Adding 150 tags for Holy Angels did not deter at all from the support we have traditionally offered to St. Anthony. In addition, the school PTO provided an appreciation lunch for the teachers at Holy Angels for Christmas and private donors from our parish donated gift cards for each teacher.

Lord's Pantry/Anna's House: IHM signed up for another year of providing the 3rd Wed dinner. We are feeding over 150 families every Saturday.