

The Church of St Mary
Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Committee
Meeting Minutes: 12-11-24
Submitted by Ruth Grundman

Committee Members Present: Sr Rita VonHoltum, LeeAnn Sticha(via phone), Florian Ledermann, Joann Weber, Polly Stephens, Anna Solheid, Julie Desautels, Al Schmidt, Jan Duhnke, Kathy Fischer, Fr. Dan Ruprecht, Ruth Grundman

Opening Prayer: Jan

Sanctity of Life: Julie

*They want to install signs in bathroom stalls at church as an outreach to people struggling with mental health, suicide thoughts, trafficking, domestic abuse, etc. They have not been able to do this. JPIC was in consensus to support Sanctity of Life initiative for this outreach program. Anna will contact administration to see what can be done.

*Will be having a Novena for Life in January.

San Juan Mirador: LeeAnn

*LeeAnn will help to establish a focus group of JPIC for San Juan Mirador to begin in January 2025. She will be the liaison to JPIC.

*Keith and Sheila Norling will lead planning of next trip in the spring.

*Friends of San Lucas will be sending out videos of what has been going on there this past year.

Bag Hunger: Ruth

*We decided to reorder 250 more food bags and to leave the logo and information the same on the bags.

*We are very thankful that Rose Shorma has so graciously offered to donate the bags to the church.

Day on the Hill: Anna

*It will be held Feb 27, 2025 Website: jrhc.com

*Focus will be on mothers, children, families. Also, mental health, which outstate MN is lacking in services.

*Anna plans to go and will put notice in bulletin.

Environmental Concerns (follow up from sustainable climate presentation): Florian & Al

*Discussed ideas such as: having curriculum in school on environment, informing farmers on resources available, repeat prairie walk in a different way to reach families – have a religious aspect, have a “story” regarding how to care for the environment in bulletin and email blast.

Prayers of the Faithful during Mass:

*Schedule: See attached sheet

Closing Prayer: Polly

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 9:30 (note starting earlier)