CIA Meeting Minutes September 18, 2023

Opening Prayer – Fr. Brian

Topics of Discussion:

- <u>Christmas Giving Tree</u> It was discussed, and members felt that price ranges for stores should be used instead of set amounts. This will give parishioners a choice of what they would like to give. More details to follow.
- <u>Sanitary Bakery Pizza Sale</u> The sale will run from January 20th, 2024 to February 10th, 2024. More details to follow.
- Easter Egg Hunt It will be held on Saturday, March 30th, 2024 at 9:00am at the pavilion. Basket Blessing to follow at 11:00am in the church.
- <u>Mass of Remembrance</u> It will be held on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:00pm. Centerpieces have been made for the tables. Refreshments (baked goods, vegetables & dip, cheese & crackers, pepperoni) will be needed for the social after mass. The Grief Journey Ministry as well as the Prayer Shawl Ministry will be represented. The Prayer Shawl Ministry will also provide shawls and tokens of remembrance at the social.
- Halloween Trunk or Treat It will be held on Sunday, October 29th from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Hot dogs and hot chocolate will be provided. A container has been set up in the hall for candy donations. We are asking for miniature candy only.

- <u>Fall Soup & Scripture</u> It will be held this year. OLMC will be hosting on Wednesday, October 18th. Soups, bread, and desserts will be needed. Please contact Denise Stefanowicz at (570) 477-5319 if you would like to donate any of these items. Please watch the bulletin for dates, times, and locations.
- <u>Prayer Shawl Ministry</u> They have been busy making lapghans, octopuses, shawls, & scarves for the Oncology Department at Wilkes-Barre General Hospital, the Gino Merli Veterans' Center in Scranton, as well as local nursing homes.
- <u>Grief Journey Ministry</u> Sessions began on Monday, September 18th and will run until October 9th. Sessions will start at 6:30pm each week and will be held in the Guardian Angel Room. Surviving the Holidays will be held on Sunday, November 12th. Time and place to be determined.
- Next Meeting Monday, October 23rd at 6:30pm in the rectory.

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