

CIA Meeting Minutes  
September 20, 2022

Opening Prayer – Marianna Oplinger

**Topics of Discussion:**

- **St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen** – They are still in need of volunteers on Fridays from 9:00am-1:00pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pat Blockus at (570) 406-0879 for more information.
- **CEO in Pittston** – They are still in need of volunteers on Saturdays from 9:00am-1:00pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pat Blockus at (570) 406-0879 for more information.
- **Halloween Trunk or Treat @ OLMC** – It will be held on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at **7:00pm**. We are looking for more OLMC parishioners to come decorate their car, hand out candy, and join in the fun.
- **Fall Soup & Scripture** – concluded on Monday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all who attended, made soup, and donated desserts or bread.
- **Grief Journey Ministry** – Their weekly sessions held on Mondays have ended. Their next session will be Surviving the Holidays held on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00pm. Anyone who has suffered a loss through death and is grieving is encouraged to attend.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** – They will continue to make prayer shawls, lapghans and ocopuses for area nursing homes as well as for the Mass of Remembrance. They received a request to make hats and lapghans for the cancer patients at General Hospital. Many hats and lapghans were made and sent over to the hospital and they received recognition and gratitude for them. They also received a request for hats for the preemie and NICU babies. Stella reached out to our local VA center to send over lapghans and throws for our veterans. However, she was told that they were not needed at this time. Stella will contact the Gino Merli Center to see if they have a

contact to get the lapghans and throws to our local VA. Stella had a request that the VA in Philadelphia would accept them.

- **Mass of Remembrance** – It will be held on Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm. Baked goods will be needed for the social afterwards in the hall. Anyone interested in donating, can drop off their baked goods at the parish office either Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> or Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00am-4:00pm. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.
- **Next Meeting** – Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

Closing Prayer – Adam Stefanowicz