

## **SJCC Minutes**

**May 7, 2026**

**Present:** Mary Weyandt, Chris Malec, Margaret Malec, Fr. John Mitchell, Martha Arko, Julie Ludden, Chris Igielski

**PRAYER:** Martha Arko

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- **Reflection and Sharing:** What brings you hope and peace in these times?
  
- **June We Care, 6/6-6/7**  
In conversation the following organizations were determined to be recipients of funds from June 2026 We Care Campaign:
  - Accola: Wisdom Ways, Sarah's Oasis for Women, Learning in Style School
  - The Free Book Buggie
  
- **SJCC Opportunities Fair on June 20-21 during Fellowship**
  - Kim will update the SJCC info and opportunities pages from a few years ago along with list of places we collect donations for.
  - Info tables in Brioschi Hall, possible down middle (as they do for puzzle exchange)
    - Progressive and Produce Table (possibly have pamphlets): Julie L. and \_\_\_\_\_
    - Care for Creation: Bruce/Sue and/or \_\_\_\_\_
    - Merrick Distribution: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Beacon: Julie Moore/Martha/Chris I.
    - National Night Out (plan, sign up to help)
  - Final details to be discussed at June 4 meeting
  
- **National Night Out (NNO) on August 4, 2026 (Mary W.)**
  - Julie Ludden noted that Kris and Leo Stadtler are putting date on calendar na dplan to return as clowns.
  - Same food plan as past years (hot dogs, cookies, water, lemonade) seems OK.
  - Mary W. will send out an email to SJCC and other who have helped in the past to get an initial planning meeting scheduled
  
- **Care for the Campus and Gardening Committee**  
Fr. John wondered about interest in helping Mike and Terry Grill and Deb Jaworski. Fr. John will find out what needs/help they might want, if any. Also discussed possibility of Campus Clean Up, possibly sometime before NNO.

## REPORTS

**Progressive (Julie Ludden):** Construction of a new building for the Fishes and Loaves Food Shelf along with a gym and free health clinic begins soon. Groundbreaking will take place on Sunday, May 17 at 1 pm. Still not getting a lot of meat from Second Harvest.

**Merrick:** There has been leadership transition at Merrick, with Brad Cairns replacing Joshua Bau. Kim ordered 3 wearable sandwich board signs for Merrick Mondays which have arrived and are ready for use at the May 18 distribution. These were funded by the Catholic Community Foundation's Formation and Action Grant which also paid for the new compost/garbage bins in Brioschi Hall. Parishioners are invited to donate a package of diapers the weekend of May 16-17 for Merrick Food Distribution.

### **Donation Closet:**

- April - Progressive Fishes and Loaves. They especially appreciated donations of cat food.
- May - Listening House
- June - Brittany's Place
- July – Currently slated for Merrick Community Center Backpack Drive

**Beacon (Julie Moore):** No report.

**Twin Cities Catholics for Immigrant Justice (Mary Weyandt):** Last meeting was on May 5. Current focus is on publicizing "get out the vote" in terms of immigration. A Monarca Democracy Defense Training will take place at St. Joan of Arc on Tuesday, June 9. Next meeting of TCCIJ is on June 2.

**Care for Creation Team (Bruce & Sue Labno):** Next meeting May 19, prepping for SJCC opportunity fair.

**Bloodmobile (Margaret Malec):** Next blood drive is Monday, July 6 at St. Pascal's. Exceeded goal at the April 13 blood drive.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> in person at St. Pascal's

**PRAYER FOR JUNE:** Sue Labno

**MINUTES FOR JUNE:** Margaret Malec

### **PRELIMINARY AGENDA ITEMS FOR JUNE:**

Finalize ministry fair for June 20/21

NNO Update

Think ahead to Faithful Citizenship and other possibilities for fall

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Roering