MINUTES FOR OUTREACH MEETING, November 2, 2026

St. Mary and St. Charles Parishes, Burlington, WI

Attendance: Karen Alby, Bonnie Erickson, Eileen Gabriel, Dick Miller, and Linda Schiestle

From: Eileen Gabriel, Outreach Chairperson

Meeting Business:

The meeting opened with a prayer.

New Business:

The meeting dates for the 2027 calendar year were shared. The dates are: 1/4/27, 5/3/27, 8/2/27, and 10/4/27.

Discussion about adding new nonprofit charities to the Outreach composite list was introduced. Early in each calendar year the committee routinely examines potential new agencies for this list. Vetting practices will be applied. Potential additions will be distributed to the committee members for research at the January meeting. A meeting will be held in March to examine our research information and vote on the proposed nonprofits.

The Outreach Committee has five members, all from St. Mary, although its bylaws recommend a larger group. The committee discussed recruiting additional members in 2027. Members generally agreed to seek one or two members from St. Charles because both parishes contribute donations. The recruitment approach remains open for discussion.

Selection of Outreach recipients for the November 28th and 29th weekend collection

Local:

50% to **JP Ministries**, %John Reesman, 497 S. Pine St., Burlington, WI 53105

50% to **Love Inc**, 480 S. Pine St., Burlington, WI 53105

State:

50% to **Bethel House**, 133 S. Franklin St., Whitewater, WI 53190

50% to **Kinship Community Food Center**, 2610 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53212

National:

50% to **Aid for Women**, 8 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60603

50% to **KNOM Radio Mission**, P.O. Box 190649, Anchorage, AK 99519

Global:

50% to **Educate Uganda**, P.O. Box 540095, Omaha, NE 68154

50% to **LeSea Global Feed the Hungry**, 530 Ireland Rd., South Bend, IN 46614

The meeting closed with a prayer

The next meeting is **Monday, January 4, 2027**, at 6:00 pm in Heim Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Gabriel, Outreach Chairperson