

## **Notes from Meeting on February 12, 2026**

Last night the Living Our Faith group for our monthly meeting. We shared the attached Prayer of Renewal --- a gentle reminder that Lent is almost upon us and we would do well to consider our plans for inner renewal during this sacred time.

**Welcome Committee:** Although there were no representatives from the Welcome Committee at the meeting last night, we were alerted to a "Welcome-Hospitality Event" that is coming VERY soon. In case you were unable to secure a reservation at a posh restaurant for Valentines' Day, we have you covered! The Hospitality Committee and the Men's Club are hosting a **pot-luck dinner following the 5:00 p.m. mass THIS Saturday (i.e. TOMORROW), February 14th.** You and your sweetie (s) will enjoy lively conversation and a delicious meal in the company of your Corpus Christi loved ones. We hope you'll join us!!!

(There will also be two additional Hospitality Opportunities in February: **Soup and Stations of the Cross on February 20th** and a **Fish Fry on March 27th.** Details will be in the bulletin and on the website. See you there!)

**Genesis:** Mary reported that the Genesis Leadership Assembly met at the end of last month and voted to support two major issues for this year: Public Transit/Disability Justice and Protection of Immigrants and Refugees -- holding law enforcement accountable.

As part of supporting the second initiative, Genesis is sponsoring a **discussion on Catholic Faithful Witness on ICE with guest speaker Juan Soto**, who is the Organizing Director of the Gamaliel Network and the Treasurer of the National Catholic Council for Hispanic Ministry. **This event will take place at Corpus Christi in the Gibson Center on Thursday, February 19th from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.** See the attached flyer for more information about how to register for this timely and important event. For more information, contact Mary Lim Lampe: [marylimlampe@gmail.com](mailto:marylimlampe@gmail.com).

**Giving Tree:** Due to parish office technology glitches, we still don't have a final accounting of the Giving Tree Drive, but we're hopeful that we'll be able to provide that information at our next meeting.

**Oakland Catholic Worker:** The weekly distribution of food at the Oakland Catholic Worker House has become increasingly more risky for immigrant families. **If you are interested in being an in-person witness**, standing on the street corner while folks collect their much-needed food, please contact: Bob Hernandez at [bob.hernandez@mac.com](mailto:bob.hernandez@mac.com). This is surely one important way we can stand in solidarity with our immigrant sisters and brothers.

**Welcome the Stranger (WTS):** Jim reports that a small group of WTS participants will be meeting with our new family on Monday 2/16. Anna Rossi will join the group to help facilitate this initial encounter. We very much look forward to meeting the family and

learning about them -- their hopes, their desires and their needs so that we can more effectively accompany them in their new situation. There will be more information to come as we learn how we can best serve them.

**Lenten Activities:** Earlier this month, Lydia, Bob and I brainstormed ideas about how our two communities might sponsor a Lenten activity. We decided to hold a Prayer Vigil with a Social Justice theme. Pending the okay from Fr. Leo and the CCC calendar of events, this prayer service will take place in **Corpus Christi Church on Thursday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m.** (following the monthly LOF meeting). We will promote this event to both of our communities and hope that the response will be equal to or exceed the Prayer Vigil we held in October.

We are also considering offering a Lenten Mini Book Group opportunity to read and discuss Pope Leo's Exhortation, *Dilexi Te*. More details will be forthcoming in the bulletin or in an additional email, but if you want to get a jump on reading this work, simply click on this [link](#)

**Living Our Faith Succession Planning:** I shared last night that June 2026 will be my final month of serving as the Living Our Faith "Convener." It's been quite a journey since Janet Saalfeld and I first brainstormed about a possible new ministry/group at Corpus Christi and our early days of trying to figure out what we were doing:-) We've evolved into a solid group with many faithful members in-person and online. We are especially grateful for the incredible collaboration with the St. Theresa Social Justice Committee! We wish to continue to grow in our faith practices and in our outreach to our communities and beyond and are looking for leaders to help guide us.

Unfortunately, as is common in many church groups, we have no succession plan. We're open to recommendations, referrals, offers, suggestions, bribes (no--not really that one ). If you are interested in learning more about how you might participate as a leader in Living Our Faith, please contact me: [midlin.nancy@gmail.com](mailto:midlin.nancy@gmail.com). Thank you for considering.

Our next meeting will be **Thursday, March 12th from 6:30 - 7:30 in the Gibson Center**. We will have a Prayer Service in the Church, following this meeting. We hope to see you at both of these events.