

1. Shirley Uzell discussed the plans for the quilt raffle to support the improvements that are being made to St. Michael House (painting, etc.). The raffle will be held January 21-29, and the drawing will take place after the 5:00 p.m. Mass on January 29. Tickets will cost \$5.00 each; there will be an option to purchase additional tickets at a reduced price. The quilts were made by someone from Appalachia
2. Shirley presented the guidelines that she has drafted for use of the St. Michael House. These guidelines will be given to all who use the house. The attendees gave Shirley some comments on the guidelines, which she will incorporate.
3. Gina Borsh will send Karen Hannon a list of legal-related questions to discuss with Fr. Dan prior to announcing that the house is available for parishioners to use. The intent of the questions is just to confirm that Fr. Dan has all the necessary protections in place. Shirley expects that the house will be ready for others (non-ATM members) to use sometime this spring.
4. Karen Hannon mentioned that her goal is to have a party at the house this spring.
5. Aaron (the man who is making repairs to the house) will speak with Fr. Dan in the next two weeks about repairs to the front porch. He is also preparing estimates for interior work (e.g., replacing trim work and closet doors) for Shirley.
6. Karen reported that our plans for 2017 ATM activities (e.g., bake sales, back-to-school drives, etc.) should not be impacted by the St. Michael 25th anniversary events.
7. Karen said that she spoke with Cathy Bolling and others about their plans. Cathy's idea is to have the Holy Family Parish (HFP) to take on an issue in a way that the community will think something to the effect of, "Oh, you know those Catholics – they always feed people." This is the issue that Cathy would like to take on.
8. Karen also discussed the idea of creating a St. Michael's cookbook, and she thinks it would be a good idea to ask parishioners from our twinning parishes (HFP, St. Elizabeth's, and Haiti) to contribute recipes.
9. The Richmond Times Dispatch recently ran an article about the problem with schools in the "coalfields area" closing.
10. There was also some discussion about helping HFP support the "school stores" that some schools in the HFP area run to help students who do not have basic necessities of daily living (e.g., toothpaste).

11. Mark Law has been in contact with Bruce Hobart, a man from Richmond who leads the 2nd Baptist Church's ministry to help people in West Virginia. Mark will invite Bruce to attend one of our meetings to see how we can collaborate.

12. Karen Hannon said that Donna Lambert has asked her about conducting a book drive for the prison that is located in the HFP area.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Borsh