



From the Pastor's Desk

Every so often, those of you who are parishioners registered at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary receive envelopes in the mail from the church. These envelopes, of course, are to encourage you to regularly support the work of the parish financially. I'm grateful for your generosity, which allows the parish to do so much good work for our Lord. But, following the Lord's greatest commandments, love of God also entails love of neighbor. That brings me to the topic of this message, today: the "social concerns" envelopes you receive. I wanted to explain the purpose of those envelopes and how money given for "social concerns" is handled.

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church has a "social concerns" fund. Money goes into the fund from gifts given by the parishioners specifically for the fund, usually via the aforementioned envelopes. We have also been placing 10% of the gas and oil money we receive into this fund.

The fund's purpose is to provide a way for the parish to help people in need. That may entail providing gas, food, or a night of lodging for people passing through. It may involve helping someone dealing with

serious illness. Or it may involve donations to those suffering from natural disasters.

Since I arrived in July, we have given a tank of gas to one family and we have donated to two local families who suffered major losses due to the recent hurricanes. In all cases, the recipients have been very thankful for the support. As the pastor, who ends up fielding the calls for help, I find the fund to be helpful as well. It gives me a way to respond to these needs when they arise. Right now, the fund has a balance of about \$1,000. Money is distributed from the fund at the pastor's discretion, though for the sake of transparency and guidance, the pastor will consult with parish finance council members before making distributions of more than \$250.

If you have questions or concerns about the fund, don't hesitate to let me know.

-Fr. Jason Signalness



*Faithful
Servants*

Appreciation Celebration

in honor of

*Betty Stuchman &
Angie Gustafson*

Sunday, October 29, 2017

Join us for Coffee & Rolls
after the 8:30 AM Mass

Please join us to celebrate Betty's & Angie's 100+ combined years of faithful service to the Lord at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary!

Please join us as we shower Betty and Angie with cards to celebrate their many years of service. You may drop off cards at the church office or bring them to the "Appreciation Celebration on Sunday, October 29th!"

