THE MOTHER MARIA OF PARIS CHARITABLE MINISTRY OF THE DIOCESE OF THE MIDWEST

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- I. The past year has seen little activity with the ministry, for several significant reasons:
 - 1) Loss of momentum since Covid.
 - 2) Committee members have ceased participation.
 - 3) Virtually no requests for financial assistance.
 - 4) Little interest within the diocese.
- II. Following Archbishop PAUL's repose, \$1,506 has been donated through the ministry page on the diocesan website.

III. Suggestions:

- 1) Reconstitute the ministry with new volunteers in a particular locality to focus primarily on that area. From there it may be able to replicate in other localities/chapters.
 - a. This may require new leadership.
- 2) Investigate the needs within the diocese:
 - a. Do parishes starting new ministries want assistance/feedback from parishes which have existing ministry models?
 - b. Might a potential development director begin as a volunteer?
- IV. Conclusions: The ministry has great potential, but without a clearly defined need, realistic goals to meet that need, and committed volunteers, it will continue to stall. I invite feedback on how to best move this ministry forward.