

Stewardship Meeting 9/12/2017

6:00 PM

Prayer

O, Holy Spirit, we come together here as stewards of the resources entrusted to us. Please come upon us and be with us throughout this gathering. Shine your light upon our ideas, our discussions, and our deliberations. Enable us to speak our truths clearly. Help us to listen to each other, not just to hear the words but to discern the meanings. Keep us united in purpose, and lead us to successful productive results. Amen

2017/2018 Stewardship Focus

While we will continue our efforts of offering a welcoming environment efforts and encouraging parishioners to engage and drive efforts, our 'new' focus areas for Stewardship in 2017/2018 are:

1. Increase Steward Group membership and stewardship/involvement of parishioners overall
2. Targeted outreach to sick, aging and disabled with initial focus on parishioners. Outreach will include in-home or nursing home visits as well as maintenance/task help and invitation & transport to senior citizen breakfast.

AGENDA

This Month's Agenda & Notes

1. Action Items from Last Meeting

Nicole brought a draft of the brochure. Decisions made:

- Direct to a single email address that then forwards to us: info@stmaryhc.org
- Add facebook and twitter account

2. Everyday Stewardship

Pages 30 - 55, we discussed what articles stood out to us.

For next time, we'll read pages 58 - 70.

3. Work on cards

Worked on cards for those we had listed as ill or homebound or have moved away. We will make this a standing agenda items. Will work on those who were in the prayer chain the past month.

4. Newsletter Status - Submissions due October 20th

- Quick round the table on how we're progressing with newsletter assignments

Topic	Stewardship Responsibility
Births, new members, weddings	Sue
Andrew Cory's Mission Trip	Arlene
Parishioner Spotlight of the Month <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Di speaking to the deaconite- Jim Given from Holy Cross	Tammi
The Blessing Box	Arlene
Photos <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Avenue of flags pictures- Fair- Pet blessing- Pasta Dinner	At the Fair - Tammi Stubenville - Nicole
RE, EDGE, Confirmation/Youth Group <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Stubenville article	Nicole
Other?	Trunk or Treat Blood Drive Pool Party

5. Additional Discussion

Visitor parking

- Tammi had noticed visitor parking while at another church. The group agreed this would be very welcoming and it would easily identify visitors. Tammi will ask about the possibility of getting a sign and locating visitor parking in the front row gravel area next to the entrance.

Samaritan's Purse

- Paula mentioned how you can get boxes from this group and they will ship the goodies to a child in need. Samaritan's Purse is an evangelical Christian humanitarian aid organization that provides aid to people in physical need as a key part of Christian missionary work. Consider these for future like in February and possibly work with RE group.

Bereavement Group

- Paula would like to start a bereavement group. Maybe work with Deacon Terry on going to find a date (work with Barb on dates?) and write something up in the bulletin to announce this. Will try it and see if

ACTION ITEMS

- ALL** - Read pages 58 to 70 in Everyday Stewardship AND newsletter assignments ready including taking pictures
- Nicole** - stewardship brochure updates
- Barb/Arlene** - create info@stmaryhc.org
- Tammi** - inquire on visitor parking
- Paula** - draft and put in bulletin a meeting time for bereavement group

NEXT MEETING AGENDA - 10/10/2017

1. Book Discussion - Everyday Stewardship
2. Visitor Parking update
3. Newsletter status
4. Cards