

Stewardship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 12, 2016

5:30pm

1. Opening Prayer

Lord, instill in our hearts a spirit of love and compassion. Inspire us to make a difference in our parish and community, by being generous with our time, talent and treasure. For all parishioners who take on a leadership role here at St.Mary-Holy Cross, may they realize and perpetuate greater personal and community faith, we pray to the Lord.

2. Survey Priorities and Action

- Identify "Quick-Hit" action items
Find some things that we can quickly take action on in the next month or so.

Follow Up:

Mark: will talk to Barb about the large print missal that he has found and timeframe to get those ordered

Arlene: With Donut Sunday and wine and cheese will talk to Barb about having the round tables set up along with the rectangular tables grouped together.

Garrett: Facebook/Social media kind of set folks up to respond to it -- those that are attending events, ask them to respond. And look into someone setting up other account. We know it's closed but

Arlene: ask Celeste about having Christian music (youth) prior to mass

Susan about children's liturgy of the word. including it in announcements or 'attendance sticker' 1st and 3rd: Children's liturgy participation: Invite specific people during mass, announce, give the kids a specific invitation or 'golden ticket' to invite them

Arlene: Ask Barb about texting tools (constant contact) and having additional e-mail updates and ask Joe and Lori about publishing Finance council minutes

Lori: Ask father to wear flippers to encourage participation in swimming party:)

ALL:

Bulletin board of summer vacations and publish in bulletin

Publish all minutes to website -- Pastoral Council, Finance and Stewardship

- Discuss updates and how to involve parishioners
Susan: Will draft up an announcement about updates on progress we've made on survey results
- Long term plans
Consider coffee and donuts alternated every week between St. Mary and Holy Cross (consider budget)
Meals to newborns and rideshares: Maybe do this with helping hands effort OR post to bulletin board but maybe and ensure it's also in announcement/bulletin
Revise time and talent survey to gear towards specific volunteer needs
Volunteer dinner where maybe church provides main meal and/or potluck
Make sure that when we're doing these outings we not only publicize but we keep doing them even if low attendance (don't cancel) and just keep the events going to encourage participation
Hooking up with other churches to join in their activities
Having people come and share their stories
Special interests: Yoga (recurring), running (one interest)
Kippy's socials or breakfast after mass
Parish gathering at the annual Elkhart hog roast
Meals to those who are ill
Ringing bells during
"Exit interviews" for those who leave our parish
Focus on young couples to do follow up questions/e-mails.

3. Newsletter -Deferred, address via e-mail

4. Picnic - Deferred, address via e-mail

- Chicaqua?
- \$150 Rental with Sunday dates of 9/4, 11, 25 available
- <http://www.mycountyparks.com/county/Polk/Park/Chicaqua-Bottoms-Greenbelt/Facility/Chicaqua-Longhouse.aspx>

5. Helping Hands