

Two Minute Summary Reports from St. Lucy Parish Commissions

March 31, 2016

Administration:

(No minutes this month due to low attendance)

Christian Service:

1. Dora Hyson stepped down from the pastoral council and Lawrence Cabral has volunteered to fill that vacancy through 2017 to cover Dora's spot.
2. Goals for our Christian Service Commission were discussed for 2016-2017. One of our goals is to recruit for a co-chair for this Commission to take over Rita's position/vacancy.
3. We will also need to recruit a chairperson for the Social Justice Ministry if current chairs are not able to keep those positions.
4. We will also need to decide what to do with the Stage One/Divorced and Separated ministry that was created and approved but lacks a chairperson ministry leader at this time.
5. Based on the February meeting input from each of the Ministries, there was a common thread that each ministry feels that we need to do a better job letting the parishioners know what each ministry has to offer in terms of services and what kind of volunteer opportunities each ministry has. It will be a goal to promote each ministry in greater detail on our St. Lucy website, eNews, church bulletin and pulpit announcements.
6. We also discussed having at least one goal considering the theme of next year. We will start by having compassion and mercy within our commission with our members first and then branching out to each of the ministries and the people that we serve. We will not judge. We will look at everyone through the eyes of Jesus.
7. We worked on our budgets for each ministry in order to meet the budget deadline.

Evangelization & Formation:

1. Review Budget
 - Comes from Irma/Andrew – they submit separate
 - Book ministry, scripture study – any other groups we are forgetting?
 - i. Cheryl keeps track of what she puts in/collects
 - Would like feedback on what we spend – we know how much we budget, but don't always get feedback about what we spend
2. Review members
 - Lorena/Jose – we haven't seen for a while—take names off
 - Griselda – Irma will call for next time
3. Review from Last meeting:
 - Update on Retreats
 - Apostles retreat coming up April 9 (8AM-1PM)
 - Low numbers so far
 - How to talk about Jesus, give witness talks/testimony
 - Feedback: Saturday mornings can be hard (maybe consider an evening in the future)

- SLMercyMinute
 - Not a lot of response
 - Bulletin board in the back
 - Helpful—people know it's the year of mercy
 - Not too much social media feedback
 - Movie: Human Experience
 - When? Where? Who?
 - Maybe during summer – aim for August, before school starts
 - Outdoor movie
 - Maybe get food trucks
 - What's the purpose of showing the movie? -- inspire the kids
 - Young Adult Groups
 - Antonio's Groups – 2 maybe 3 small group starting
 - College Group meeting
 - Married Couples
 - Completed a bible study
 - 8 week series – Sunday mass readings/ Lectio Divina
4. New business/Potential Goals
- Housing the homeless (Holy Spirit, St Francis Cabrini, etc)
 - Goal for the future?
 - Can we help them, partner and volunteer?
 - Maybe for next year – but partner with outreach commission
 - We don't have to 'host' it, but we can partner with other churches that have it established
5. Many children do not have guidance
- Inspiration for the kids – speaker
 - College, career planning
 - Mentorship program
6. Edge/Youth group
- Edge: 20-30 kids that show up regularly
 - Next year: Lifeteen Sunday night separate
 - Sacramental Prep: 1st communion every other week has been too hard
 - Like that it is separate from Edge now
 - Kids are not learning what they need to
 - More like a classroom setting; at least 3 times a month
 - If every other, maybe you can incorporate more "fun" nights
 - Year 1&2 Confirmation separate on Tuesdays
 - May Agenda: Check in with the 'Tree of Life' – look for ways to help people action their works of mercy
7. Work on developing 2016-2017 goals
- New year starts July 1st
 - Host a parish mission: What are the spiritual needs of our parishioners?
 - Speaker
 - Budget: ~\$3000
 - Who?
 - What's the message?

- English/Spanish events
 - When: Lent? (Allow 6-9 months ahead)
- Getting School Parents involved
 - School Parent Events for Evangelization
 - We need school representatives
 - Teacher
 - 2 parents
 - Irma/Andrew to talk at a staff meeting for the school
 - Transition for Youth Ministry (separate Confirmation from Lifeteen)
 - Golf Tourney on May 6
- 8. Work on discerning leadership positions: 2 co-chairs and 2 PC members
 - Sarah will think about taking over a co-chair position
 - April 10th—Christina will talk to Catechists

Worship:

1. We have received Ministry Updates from 95% of our ministries.
2. FY16-17 Goals:
 - Publish a Tip of the Month: How to Live the Works of Mercy
 - Publish Training/Process resources for the following ministries by October 2016:
 - i. Mass Coordinator
 - ii. Ushers/Greeters
 - iii. Parish Leadership Team
3. We will encourage each Worship Ministry to have a least one meeting per year.

Community Life:

1. Reviewed Commission Membership and Leadership
2. Strong need for New Community Life Commission members
3. Reviewed 2015-16 Goals and Progress
 - Usher/Greeter Ministry – 9 am, 11 am, 1 pm doing well. 5:15 pm, 7 am, 7:30 pm doing OK. 6 pm needs help
 - Build connections to related ministries – Not much progress. Each of the ministries functioning fairly well on their own (e.g. Knights of Columbus, Young Ladies Institute, Boy Scouts)
 - Ministry Mingle – Well attended with many new ministers
 - Mardi Gras – Well attended
4. Develop and Finalize Budget Proposals for 2016-17 Activities
 - Most items have budgets developed
 - Parish picnic still needs to be developed
5. Discuss 2016-17 Major Community Life Events
 - a. Parish Picnic – Sat, Sept 10, 2016
 - i. Will initiate a recruitment event for picnic volunteers
 - b. Ministry Mingle – Will select weekend in October
 - c. Mardi Gras – Sat, Feb 25, 2017
 - d. Next meeting talk about cup scout we need to locate a room.

Pastoral Council Summary:

1. Commission Red Flags – No red flags reported from any Commission
2. Christy Masleid presented an idea from the Stewardship Committee to help encourage volunteerism for both ongoing needs (such as membership in the PAR Commissions) and one time needs (such as help for Mardi Gras or the Picnic). The idea is to display volunteer opportunities in colorful pamphlets in acrylic display racks which will be located in each vestibule. The cost would be about \$500. Christy would own getting it going. The idea was discussed and Christy responded to several questions. The proposal was accepted and approved to start whenever funding is available. Christy will discuss funding with Raymond.
3. Additional Feedback from the “Gathering of Ministers” – The Worship Commission received feedback from one of its ministries that they feel the Pastoral Council is a mystery. Some ideas were brought forth regarding how to provide more info about what we do including publishing goals on the parish web site, publishing the ‘blue book’ on the parish web site, putting a link to our publications in the e-news, putting notes in the bulletin and getting Erika involved in helping with PR. As part of its 2016-2017 goals for publishing resources for ministries, the Worship Commission will publish the blue book and a Powerpoint summary of the blue book on the parish web site and see about getting a link to those materials in the e-News.