

Two Minute Summary Reports from St. Lucy Parish Commissions

June 25, 2015

Administration:

1. Admin Commission will benefit from adding new members--we are actively looking
2. 2015/16 Admin Commiss Goals are complete and will be sent to Raymond and Jim Miller
3. Admin Commiss budget process will be completed and submitted by Aug 15 to Diocese

Christian Service:

1. Teresa Martinez agreed to be our contact with Ericka Tibke to help us promote our services and capture more volunteers. Erkicka has asked us for a short video for her to edit. For now, we will share our Power Point Presentation. Ericka will be in charge of format, we'll be in charge of content
2. In a review of last month's meeting, we recalled a discussion to have our focus on one ministry each month. St. Vincent de Paul Society reminded us of their Back Pack Program geared to start July 1st, and the Social Justice Committee revealed they will be working with Dream At – a State program to help students who are undocumented, so they can stay and not be deported.
3. Dora Hyson agreed to visit our Parish Council meeting to determine if the Lord is leading her to be a Council member. She will report back to us at the August meeting.
4. Brian Brennan has volunteered to take over as head of the Prayer Chain Ministry, replacing Siobhan Scrosoppi, who has joined another church.
5. Our Chair, Elena Musselman, gave us 'homework' for over the summer months. We will be reading four articles on Evangelization that should help us discover new ministries to help in this important endeavor.

Evangelization & Formation:

1. Incorporate Seekers, Disciple & Apostles Retreat into ongoing
 - Many attendees / Exceeded original goal 400+ across 3 retreats.
 - Attendees left with deeper understanding of Jesus. They understood 3 pillars: knowledge, prayer and service. People were empowered to understand their power to evangelize at any time. Gave time to start their own witness story.
 - Needed longer retreat times. Change afternoon times to mornings. Received a grant for \$2000. Want better food, better resources, ie Journals for all 3 retreats. Figure returning attendees track for Apostles retreat.
 - More for the Disciples retreat. Continue to use St Lucy Feast date, seemed to work well
2. Catholicism Series
 - Offered both English & Spanish, started 45 on Tues + 12 on Thur AM then cut to half.
 - Finding large enough space. Make use of HD TV. Need more attendees for Spanish
3. Book Ministry
 - Increase Book Ministry traffic.

- Should rotate location of the kiosk. Better advertising. Have Book ministries at the big 5 retreats.
 - DATES: Sept 26th (Seekers) 9 – 12, Nov 7th (Span 1dt Comm prep), Nov 14th English 1st Comm Prep, Dec 5th Disciples retreat, Mar 5th (English 2nd 1st Comm Prep), Mar 19th Spanish, Apr 9th
4. Recommend Catholic Reading / Featured CD or Book
 - Would like to highlight Books on St Lucy website and monthly parish email
 5. Add 2nd Lighthouse Media Bookshelf in bigger parking lot vestibule
 - Would like to highlight Books on St Lucy website and monthly parish email
 - We have somewhat saturated the one entrance, need to reach out to other groups
 - We have budget due to lesser orders, we just need facilities approval.

Worship:

1. Staffing: Christy Masleid has joined the Worship Commission and will be the Co-Chair along with Bach Nguyen. Terri will remain as a member of the Worship Commission.
2. Adoration Update:
 - The processions after Mass on Corpus Christi Sunday were well attended. It looks like some folks did not understand the purpose of the Spiritual Bouquet cards and left them in the pews rather than giving them to the person being prayed for. The team will try to find the folks who filled out the cards and get the cards back to them.
 - The first “Adoration” after 1:00 Mass on Corpus Christi Sunday was very well attended. Thanks to Fr. Steve for all of his support of activities to promote adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
3. Bach presented information on the Feast of Portiuncula. On this feast day, which falls on Aug. 2, it is possible to obtain a plenary indulgence (see <http://www.catholic.org/prayers/indulgc.php> for a description of a plenary indulgence). Bach proposed to put an insert in the bulletin in order to inform parishioners about this Feast and encourage them to avail themselves of this opportunity to relieve themselves of punishments for the sins for which they have been forgiven through the sacrament of Reconciliation. She would like to promote this event yearly. The Worship Commission unanimously agreed.
4. Update from Liturgy Planning: The Liturgy Planning Committee held a retreat. The purpose of the retreat was to determine how they could become more pro-active. For the coming year, they have planned the following:
 - Advent – Focus on discipleship. Work on establishing small discipleship groups parish-wide, using the members of the pilot discipleship groups to facilitate.
 - Lent – Create a ‘commitment tree’. Kind of like the Christmas Giving Tree except that folks will make a commitment to do something during the Lenten Season, write it down and hang it on the tree.
 - Easter Season – evolve the ‘commitment tree’ into a ‘tree of life’
 - Pentecost – hold a ‘praise and worship’ event
5. Update on goals
 - “Training Mass” – Each Sunday beginning on June 28, and continuing for 4 weeks, the homily time will include information about the parts of the Mass. This

was announced at all Masses last week and Bach will also work with Ingi to get an announcement in the bulletin

- “More God Time” – Bach and Ed will work with Justin on moving forward with this.

Community Life:

1. We had originally intended on spending much of our meeting discussing the Parish Picnic in September. We found out this week that the picnic is cancelled for this year due to scheduling difficulties and conflicts. There will be a Mardi Gras before Lent and we will focus on that when the time comes and discuss possible alternatives or themes for the Parish Picnic in upcoming years.
2. Ushers/Greeters report
 - 206 badges have been made for ushers/greeters and Pastoral Council.
 - Ushers and greeters badges will be kept in Usher's room.
 - The new collection baskets are in.
3. Welcoming ministry
 - Restate our Commission goal to keep enhancement of this Ministry a priority.
 - Loretta, Steve and Duane to head up this subcommittee.
 - Our ongoing discussion will include what we want to include in this ministry.
 - For example specific Sundays dedicated to births, wedding anniversaries, a monthly prayer meeting, etc.
 - On a weekly/monthly basis, what needs to be done to welcome newcomers. Packets? Shoutouts at Mass?
 - Important to get Fr. Mark's input on what he would like to see.
4. Support for blood drive
As a Commission, we decided we wanted to determine how we can support the upcoming Blood Drive in August, besides personally volunteering. Loretta mentioned that she had been looking for a volunteer event to Pilot Rotunda capability to allow people to sign up on Rotunda themselves to volunteer for events. At the Rotunda training session on Saturday, June 27, Loretta will include volunteer signup for the Blood Drive.
5. Support of ministries under our Commission
Each commission member volunteered to contact one or more groups under our commission to get feedback and invite to come to our meeting.

Pastoral Council Summary:

1. Audit required when the Pastor changes has been completed with no issues. The Auditors did recommend that a 5 year budget be completed. This has been added to the task list for the Parish Administrator and the Finance Council for FY15-16.
2. New Parish Staff Member Ericka Tibke was introduced as our new Communications Coordinator. She will work part-time on responsibilities such as the St. Lucy eNews. We were encouraged to think of her as a sounding board that will empower communication, but not do it for us.
3. Annual Parish Budget is on schedule and expected to be finished mid-July.

4. Pastoral Council Co-Chairs for FY15-16 will be Loretta Wickenden from Community Life and Terri Miller from Worship.