

Meeting Minutes – 3/9/2015

Present: Tara Roeckers, Janelle Appleton, Leslie Uzlik, Judy Doonan-Twohy

Next Meeting: April 13th

I. Prayer was led by Tara Roeckers

II. Staff Reports – Judy

- a. As of July 1st there is some staff re-organization.
- b. Fr. Doug will have 3 Coordinators
 - i. Theresa Kraus – FF, Pastoral Care and Liturgy
 1. Bonnie Serio will now work with Sr. Marta under Pastoral Care. PALS, CapStone and Catechist of the Good Shepard will also move to Pastoral Care.
 - ii. Toni Leach – Support Staff, Finance and Communications
 - iii. Paul Karpinko - Preschool, Nursery, Facilities
 - iv. Currently Tweens is in flux.

III. Parish Pastoral Council Report – Leslie

- a. Grow Survey – Leslie reported on what was said at the Leadership Meeting

IV. Discussion of Leadership Meeting re:

- a. Reconciliation & Youth – Fr. Doug wants FFC to have the following goals:
 - i. Increase in numbers in Youth Reconciliation;
 - ii. Youth have a better understanding of basic prayers
- b. Upon brainstorming over this topic the following was discussed:
 - i. Providing once a year, during FF, a non-sacramental Forgiveness Service. This would prepare kids to attend Reconciliation. Could be timed to be around the same time as Reconciliation services. At other times of year we would encourage kids to attend the services
 - ii. Regarding Prayers – brainstorming included the idea of using incentives, stickers as promotion/motivation/reminder, helping parents be accountable, working with children individually to assure each child knows basic prayers
- c. Effective Structuring in FFC – Creating of Sub-commissions or Breakout committees
 - i. The purpose of the breakout committee idea is to accomplish projects outside the meeting. Committees could be created for such things as: Adult Faith Advisory Comm, Special Needs Advisory, Right to Life, etc. These committees would meet outside of FFC and set and meet goals and report to FFC

V. Stewardship Ideas

- i. Previously the FFC had wanted to support Stewardship in the parish.

The Commission brainstormed the following:

1. Targeting the youth, we would contact Mary Brezinski regarding handing out one tithing envelope to all youth in FF. They would be instructed that they can place either money, a prayer, a picture of some act they did for the Lord, a Letter stating how they tithed their time for the Lord. Then they would be told to place all envelopes into the

collection baskets the following Sunday. An email along with a letter would go out to the parents explaining the nature of the project. The following Sunday the SJN money counters would collect all the children envelopes for us. They would calculate how much money was donated as well as collect all the letters. We would then display all the letters in the social hall for the following week's Donut Sunday under the heading, "Look at what our children give to the Lord." Additional envelope boxes would be available for parents to take if they want to continue the practice. Also we would have cards for adults to fill out on how they tithe their time for the Lord. These would be placed in a basket and then hung up on the wall along with the children's letters. We thought that we could do this around Pentecost.

VI. Items Tabled

- a. PCY – Protecting Children and Youth
- b. Goals / Objectives of Faith Formation – until Grow Survey is released
- c. SCC – Brainstorming ideas to increase the numbers of SCC

VII. Items in Progress –

- a. Tithing Event – Tara Roeckers will speak with Mary Brezinski regarding adding this item yet this year.