

Faith Formation Commission

**Meeting Minutes – 4/13/2015**

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

Next Meeting: ***May 11th - Prayer will be led by Janelle Appleton***

- I. Prayer led by Tara Roeckers
- II. Staff Reports – Judy
  - A. Discussion on the many baptisms, 1st communions and confirmations that are presently being prepared for. This year confirmation will be held here at SJN. Every 3 years confirmation may be held here.
  - B. This year there will be no big closing ceremony for FF. But next year FF will be adding more large group gatherings.
  - C. Next year's parish mission choice has been narrowed down to two choices. Fr. Doug is connecting with them. Nothing is in stone.
  - D. Three nights of Benedictine Spirituality - the first night's attendance was not as many as hoped for.
  - E. Just Faith Night - The evening was a success with over 80 people and 10 groups represented. Each group gave VERY enthusiastic presentations.
- III. Parish Pastoral Council Report – Leslie  
Nothing to report
- IV. Update on Items in Progress
  - A. Stewardship Event - After discussion, committee decided to push event back until fall, possibly October and connecting it with a parish wide stewardship event.
  - B. Committee will provide letter necessary for parents. Judy will look into the necessary envelopes. We are also hoping to have event mention during Mass, so children who do not attend FF can still participate.
- V. SCC - Brainstorming - Ideas to increase the numbers of SCC
  - A. Committee discussed ideas of creating SCC for different types of groups: parents of small children, retirees, newly married couples, etc.
  - B. Another idea was creating SCC around shared experiences. i.e. Parents whose kids are getting confirmed.
  - C. Another idea was allowing people to attend the first SCC meeting with to commitment required.
  - D. Judy is going to look into getting material that could be used by groups.
  - E. Discussion will be tabled until Grow Survey is out to see what it says about SCC and Judy has the new material

VI. PCY – Protecting Children and Youth – Tabled

VII. New Business

- A. Donut Sunday - the need to have 4 lines at donut Sunday was discussed in order to minimize lines. Will be passed on to Wendy and Lisa.
- B. Reconciliation - During Lent, Reconciliation lines were long. A suggestion of offering chairs to sit during the sometimes hour or more waiting time. Will be passed on to Fr. Doug and liturgy.
- C. Middle School Retreat - Committee discussed the idea of giving chaperones the job of welcoming the NET Team. Will be passed on to Pat.

VIII. Goals / Objectives of Faith Formation – HOLD

IX. Next Meeting Agenda Topics

- A. Structure of FFC - How are we going to run FFC next year?
- B. Recruitment for FFC
- C. Re-Education of Parish of the idea that FF does not end at Confirmation.