



CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

January 15, 2019

INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer.

PARISH COUNCIL (PC)*

Minutes from January 3 meeting:

Parish Initiatives FY2020– Discussion on how commissions are working to increase engagement. As planning begins each program/ministry needs to be reassessed on how it fits with the overarching goal of engagement. If it doesn't fit, can we change it to make it fit? Prioritizing programs in this way will assist in adjusting budgets accordingly

Worship Technology- The three main components now identified as priorities are:

1. Sound System
2. Video Screens
3. Relocating the music ministry to the front of the church

A large financial gift has been received that will fund some or all of these projects. The group is working with Finance Council to work out the details.

Faithful Beginnings- A meeting was held recently with representatives from Nativity including the architect working on the project. The goal was to address concerns about storage, Wednesday night transitioning to FF, and the preschool entrance. Options are being considered to relocate the FF resource room.

The open house is set to take place on January 13. Beth S reviewed answers to some of the questions the parishioners may have including the number of classrooms, insurance, programming, financial impact, the nursery and parking lot.

Miscellaneous- Reminders about the open positions of PC Co-Chair, Secretary and Youth Rep were mentioned, and all PC members were asked to consider filling one of the areas in need.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Stewardship-The Sharing God's Gifts Fall 2018 Campaign resulted in a 58% response rate from parishioners who received the mailings. Anything over a 50% response is considered a success. The responses resulted in a 14% increase over the commitments from the prior year. Stewardship of time will be addressed during Lent and stewardship of talent will be addressed in May as part of the Ministry Fair. The committee is formalizing its mission statement to more clearly define the role of the committee.

Communications- The mailing of the Advent postcards to the community advising of our Christmas schedule was well received. We will be looking into how we can do similar mailings in the future. The next newsletter is planned for Spring.

Building & Grounds- The committee has a meeting scheduled in early February to prioritize projects that are in their 3-5 year plan. Working with the Finance Council, a capital budget will be developed.

Finance- The annual giving statements will be mailed to parishioners by the end of January. Weekly collections are being monitored.

Administration- Each committee in the commission is developing goals and objectives to assist in accomplishing the Parish Initiative FY2020 mission. The use of technology to assist staff and parishioners will be one of our highest priorities.

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Our Community Life Commission focused on both Community Life and Sacramental Life. Community Life consists of new parishioner welcome, parish-wide community events, annual events, interest groups within the parish as well as parish event support. Sacramental Life consists of marriage preparation, wedding coordinator, baptism, RCIA as well as small faith groups.

The plan is to focus on finding a chair/co-chair within the commission to oversee each of the above mentioned areas, and acquire volunteers within the parish to facilitate these

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areas. Our goal, as well as our hope, is to build a community here at St. Edward's that lifts people up, helps us to grow in our faith and make all who attend/visit our parish feel welcome. The Community Life Commission would like to welcome parishioners who might be interested in joining our Commission to contact Donna Rubio.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

FORMED: 144 families created a Formed.org account, a good start! Upcoming event on Formed, January 27 after 10:30am Mass, that offers assistance, site orientation, and helpful tips to grow in faith formation.

Second Sunday Retreat on February 10 after 10:30am Mass, includes lunch and three-hour retreat for anyone whose is interested.

Bible study to begin Wednesday nights on February 20 at 6:30pm and will go for 8 weeks, all are invited.

We had a brief update on **Faithful Beginnings preschool**.

We brainstormed possible summer activity ideas.

PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Nursing Home Ministry- In 2018 parish volunteers went to the **Masonic Home** 28 times and gave the Eucharist to 1,076 residents. We averaged 39 residents per visit. In 2018 parish volunteers went to **Founders Ridge** 12 times and gave the Eucharist to 120 residents. We averaged 10 residents per visit.

Stephen Ministry is preparing for their retreat on February 9. We discussed setting goals to improve the Care Giver to Care Receiver ratio in 2019. We will continue to promote it in the bulletin, plan to have a Stephen Minister speak at the weekend Masses on March 16-17, and they will host the Donut Sunday on April 7.

We discussed having **prayer shawls** blessed at a Tuesday evening Mass in the Spring sometime. Mia will discuss a date with Fr. Rick and let the coordinator know so she can invite the knitters to attend the Mass.

Spiritual Direction will continue to be offered as it always has been and advertised in the bulletin, however the representative has chosen to step off of the Pastoral Care commission to pursue other opportunities.

The volunteers who host the **funeral luncheons** have been very busy lately, as we have had 10 funerals in the month of January alone. The **Grief Ministers** have been following up with the families for the funerals we have been doing.

We have added several more people to the **Homebound Eucharist** list.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

Meals on Wheels is doing well, but may need drivers in spring or early summer.

Catholic Charities lunch was changed to 12/18 (from 12/25) last month.

A **Feed My Starving Children** event is planned for April 6; an online signup has been created.

Difficulties continue for **Our Lady of Angels**, our Sister Parish in Nicaragua, Jinotega. The US passed the "Nica" bill that prevents financial assistance to Daniel Ortega, the current president and government. The Catholic Church in that country has spoken out against this administration and the government is retaliating.

The camp dates at the **Teresa Toda Home** have to change from two weeks in July to one in June and one in August due to the Carmelites' schedule. Zumba Dance Party is February 2, 10am to Noon. Campamento Kickoff meeting planned for February 11, 7pm for potential travelers and volunteers.

Beacon will come on Jan 22 to discuss ways we can reintroduce a ministry to the homeless such as **Families Moving Forward** to St. Edward.

The commission is in need of volunteers to lead the **Bridging** as well as the **Caring for Life** programs.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Thank you to all the volunteers that helped set up and take down the **Advent and Christmas** decorations. Our church looked beautiful and we welcomed 2,021 people to our Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses!

We very much appreciate the proceeds from the **Pancake Breakfast** being directed to Liturgical Art. Soon we will have beautiful Stations of the Cross in our main worship space.

The Mass with Archbishop Hebda has been moved to Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 10:30 am.

The Worship Technology Committee is working with vendors on proposals for new sound and video in the main worship space. The current plan calls for implementation during the Summer of 2019.

NEXT MEETING:

The next scheduled Leadership Night is February 19, 2019, following the 6:30pm Mass. **All parishioners are invited to Leadership Night.**