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CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

April 18, 2017

INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer led by the Faith Formation Commission.

PARISH COUNCIL (PC)*

Report and discussion of 50th Anniversary Task Force actions items, planning and concerns. An updated "Parish Council Financial Comments" distributed. The final approved budget for 2017-18 distributed. An interview task force to be assembled for the two new part time positions posted on the archdiocesan career page. Specific language to define "special" and "other" PC meetings will be formulated and brought to the May PC meeting. Staff employment letters are being prepared by the parish administrator.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Building and Grounds: Met with staff to review the chapel alcove plans. Upon approval from the Parish Council, the building and grounds team will work with staff on bid submissions, budget development and project management.

Communications: Parish newsletter was recently mailed to parish households; feedback is welcome. **Stewardship:** A planning meeting with Father Brian will take place to discuss next year's plans. **50th Planning:** The last available photo sessions for the 50th anniversary picture directory will be May 30th to June 3rd. "Save the Date" notes will be sent to former staff/clergy as well as to founding members in the coming weeks; invitations to everyone will be sent out this summer. Planning is underway for a fundraising raffle.

PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Volunteers: Commission is doing well, with adequate volunteers. Masonic Home volunteers from our parish will be honored at a volunteer recognition dinner sponsored by the Masonic Home. **Stephen Ministry:** Program year is coming to a close. Two new Stephen Ministers will be commissioned this spring. **Young at Heart:** Attendance was slightly down for the annual luncheon at the Chart House. As the group ages, members are less likely to drive for distant outings. Letters have been sent out for the annual retreat which will be hosted by Pax Christi this year. **Hospital Ministry:** Visits continues to be available for people who are hospitalized. **Separated and Divorced:** Half-way through the Separated and Divorced 12-week program; going well. Though small in number, the participants are very appreciative. **Spiritual Direction:** Spiritual direction was featured in a recent *Catholic Spirit* article.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

Catholic Charities: Lunches on the fourth Tuesday are going well. **Sister Parish in Dominican Republic:** Preparing for a summer mission trip to Teresa Toda. There is room for a few more travelers. The theme this year is "Women of Faith". Week 1 is July 8-16. **Loaves and Fishes:** L&F at St. Stephen's in Minneapolis is successful in providing food for the homeless. **Meals on Wheels:** Still doing well. **Sister Parish in Nicaragua:** Doing well. Sue Kellett recently spent 16 days there. **Banyan:** Jerry Grebin's and Mike Grohovsky's visit to the Banyan Community with a donation from our parish was well received. **Staff:** Sherrie Schroeder stopped by to say there were five applications for the PT social justice staff position. She asked for a couple of folks to sit in on the interviews with her. The PT position would potentially start on July 1st. **Spring Formation Day:** May 18th at St. Joseph the Worker in Maple Grove; register by May 1st.

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UPCOMING

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Review: With several new members, this is an opportunity to start fresh so took an inventory of all activities. Some are probably very self-sufficient, while others may need some help. Want to come up with a plan to reconnect with each of the groups—an opportunity to see what is working, what is not, and build off of what is learned. **Future:** How do we get younger couples to attend Cana dinner? What kind of relationship do we want our commission to have with each of our committees? What do we want community life to look like a year from now? What's the plan to maintain communication with the various groups? **New Staff:** Interested in Sherrie Schroeder's invitation for representation on the hiring committee for the new Community Life staff position.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

Adult Faith Formation: Will meet next week to start planning for upcoming year's speakers. **Wednesday Faith Formation:** Year coming to a close with only three sessions remaining. **Lenten Fish Fry:** A great success with about 500 served and over \$9,000 raised for the youth summer mission trip. **Branding:** Continued exploration of ideas to re-brand faith formation ministries and envision what a future classroom may look like.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Technology Assessment: Background work is ongoing. **Recommendations for the Chapel:** The Worship Commission recommends that the chapel renovation "Mary's Alcove" project proceeds. This recommendation will be presented to the Parish Council. **Feedback on Holy Week:** It was recommended that the Easter Vigil fire be moved outside, weather permitting; plan B for fire will be inside the church. **PC Update:** 50th anniversary planning and budget are on the forefront.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Leadership Night is Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at 7:00 PM. **All parishioners are invited.**