



THE CHURCH OF SAINT EDWARD

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CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

May 17, 2016

INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer, offered by the Worship Commission.

PARISH COUNCIL*

Administration: Financial Summary (dated 4/30/2016) distributed. **PC Selection:** Michael Barg will be the new Parish Council representative for the Worship Commission; a replacement has not been found yet for the Pastoral Care Commission; nominations will be requested from the parish at-large. **50th Anniversary:** Planning continues; pictorial directory will be coordinated; PC members made some suggestions for the planning committee. **Task Force Update:** A draft of the updated Leadership Guide was given to PC members; suggestions for changes are due by June 4th.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Building and Grounds: Anxious for summer in order to test our newly installed chiller; hats off to the team who worked diligently to install the new chiller for half of the \$150K plan. The security system install has been completed. Looking forward to reconstruction of the barriers at the front entry of the church. **Communications:** Moving forward with testing online registration and giving. Goal is to have an operational system by fall. Good feedback regarding e-blasts and other e-communication; we have over 550 email addresses on the e-blast listing. **Planning Task Force:** A draft of the updated Leadership Guide is being shared with the PC at tonight's meeting.

PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Young at Heart: Young at Heart had a successful year and hosted a retreat with Pax Christi on May 10th. A total of 142 people attended and it all went well. **PC Coordinators:** On May 3rd the pastoral care coordinators held their annual dinner. **Sacrament of Anointing:** We will be adding the Sacrament of Anointing to the Masses at Masonic Home and Founders' Ridge twice a year; the committee would like to explore the possibility of doing this once a year at a Sunday liturgy at St. Edward's Church. **Separated & Divorced:** The Separated and Divorced Ministry is being revised. **Labyrinth:** Spiritual Direction's prayer labyrinth is ready for its second year; if you haven't tried this form of prayer do give it a try. **Stephen Ministry:** St. Edward's Stephen Ministry hosted a National Stephen Ministry Workshop for the metro area. Nineteen congregations attended this informative and uplifting presentation. Stephen Ministry will also be sending a member to a week-long leaders' training this summer, which will help keep this ministry strong.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

Co-Chairs: Thanks to Barb Smyth for stepping forward to serve as co-chair for the SJC Commission during the next term. Barb will serve with our ongoing co-chair Mike Grohovsky. Thanks also to outgoing co-chair Ralph Bartolotta. **Outreach:** Outreach charity ministries continue strong. A Mother's Day collection was conducted and \$415.00 and a very generous amount of baby and mother supplies were collected. Donations were delivered to Tapestry and Northside Life Center. **Sister Parishes:** Parishioner Sue Kellet is visiting our sister parishes in Nicaragua. Our efforts there are having a tremendous impact on feeding those who would otherwise go hungry. Working with Feed my Starving Children we are able to supply over 1/2 million meals per year. St. Edward's Church underwrites the transportation from Minneapolis to Nicaragua. **Loaves & Fishes:**

*Full minutes of the Parish Council meeting are available on the parish website and in the wooden rack outside the parish office.

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NEXT MEETING DATE

Loaves and Fishes at St. Stephen's Church continues under the leadership of Les and Sue Koob plus many St. Ed's volunteers. Last month over 170 people were served at the monthly dinner. **VEAP Garden:** The VEAP garden is getting ready to plant by late May or early June. Extra precautions are being taken to protect the crop from local rabbits so that more families at VEAP can enjoy fresh vegetables. **Families Moving Forward (FMF):** This week St Edward's Church is hosting FMF and is off to a good week with strong volunteer support. There are fewer families than expected due to a couple finding permanent housing—a good reason to have fewer guests!

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Pictorial Directory: Melissa Cavanaugh visited the Community Life Commission to discuss and contribute to ideas pertaining to a 50th anniversary pictorial directory. Most conversation surrounded timing, process for sign up, distribution, etc. A quick show of hands helped the committee determine a fall start time for capturing photographs is preferred. We also learned that orchestrating families to sign up for photo sessions may be challenging. We are brainstorming best approaches. **Q2 Event:** Quarter 2 Community Life event, the Contemporary Mass on Mother's Day, was successful and a great Mass. The church saw about 150 additional parishioners at that Mass. **Q3 Event:** Quarter 3 Community Life event will be the Feast of St Edward on September 11, 2016. Planning to begin soon, per Judy Foster, the new staff resource person for the Community Life Commission.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

Staffing: The commission talked again about the re-organization and hiring of a middle grades youth minister/catechetical leader. The membership of the commission and committees was discussed with the change of staff leadership. Adult faith is continuing to secure speakers for second Sundays and Saturday retreats and Saturday mornings of reflection as well as securing speakers and events for parents (and the whole congregation) on Wednesday evenings during faith formation and youth ministry groups. **Nursery:** The commission discussed the parish nursery which is not in use due to parents wanting to bring their children to Mass. Discussed what in the future might be done for families and children, birth to grade 4, over the summer months.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Christmas Mass Times: Confirmed Christmas Mass times as Christmas Eve at 4:00pm and 10:30pm and Christmas Day at 8:30am and 10:30am. Music for these Masses will most likely vary; more contemporary style, with possible caroling (4:00pm); traditional, candle light, flute, oboe, soft concert (10:30pm); organ, cantor, no brass (8:30pm); full brass with choir (10:30am). **Audio & Lighting:** Discussed some of the current challenges with audio and lighting of the church; will be investigating how other churches have resolved these challenges and most likely recommend an effort to evaluate and recommend improvements. **PC Rep:** Mike Barg has been selected as the new Parish Council representative from the Worship Commission.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Leadership Night will be Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM. **All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.**