



THE CHURCH OF SAINT EDWARD

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CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

April 19, 2016

INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer.

PARISH COUNCIL*

Administration: Financial Summary and Profit & Loss Budget Performance distributed. **Online Giving:** Vanco Payment Solutions has been selected for the implementation of e-giving, which may begin this summer. **PC Election & Selection:** Two PC members leaving—Jimmy Ojo (Pastoral Care) and Herman Viegas (Worship). Commissions have been asked to make recommendations; pew cards will be used at the end of May, if needed. **Task Force Update:** Last objective, updating the Leadership Guide, is nearly ready for PC consideration.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Building and Grounds: The chiller system will be installed in the in the next several months. The cost will be \$70,000, the original estimate was \$150,000. A new control system will also be implemented. This new system will result in significant lower operating costs. Several rebates were secured totaling over \$6,000. Parishioner input has been received and is being reviewed concerning improvements in the lower parking area entrance. **Communications:** E-giving and e-payment will be implemented by the beginning of the fall programs. All current payment systems will remain in place. The Spring newsletter will include a letter from the Parish Council and an envelope for additional giving. **Planning Task Force:** The Leadership Guide is being updated to make the guide even consistent with our practices.

PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Special Needs Mass: The annual Mass for Special Needs was held March 19. It was well organized by Karen Arrenholz. She had almost twenty volunteers helping with the Mass and brunch. Phyllis Hufnagle was a great help. There were 20 participants from the surrounding area that came to celebrate the Mass and enjoy fellowship after the Mass. The people participating in this Mass has dwindled over the past several years, possibly due to fewer barriers among congregations that help all people worship on a regular basis. **Ministry of the Separated and Divorced:** The parish has been a part of nine parishes in the southwest metro that participate in the Ministry of the Separated and Divorced. Our commission is looking into better ways to serve this important population of our parish in the next year. **Celebration:** The PCC annual celebration will be held Tuesday May 3rd at Famous Dave's. **PC Rep:** Since our current Parish Council representative is rotating off the council we are looking for a representative from Pastoral Care area for the Parish Council. Many thanks to Jimmy Ojo for his fine work these past 3 years.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

The SJ Committee submitted a revised budget which attempts to recognize a more fragile parish economic state while maintaining vital outreach programs we have supported for many years. The revised budget is approximately 23% less than the amount initially proposed. The impact of any further reduction in our charitable outreach programs is dramatic on peoples' lives. We estimate that at least 525,000 people receive a benefit through our outreach ministries, mostly as a meal to those less fortunate. Our compilation of these numbers is readily available for anyone to review. The SJ Committee and friends visited the Banyan Organization in the Phillips area of Minneapolis. This is a program

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

which helps the inner city youth learn to make good decisions and become more responsible citizens. The youth who complete the program can receive financial help with their tuition at DeLaSalle. This wonderful youth program benefits the entire community. We thank Ralph Bartolotta for serving 3 years on the SJ Committee! Several of our supported ministries provided an update on how they are reaching out to others. St. Edward's Church currently serves 17-25 meals daily through Meals on Wheels volunteers. We have nursing home helpers, we provide outreach to help poor women in the Dominican Republic (and locally). We serve 4,300 meals a year (included above) through Loaves and Fishes. We are also getting ready to start up our VEAP Garden in May. In conclusion, we have vital programs which directly affect peoples' lives. We believe it is imperative to fully support our outreach programs.

COMMUNITY LIFE

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Craig Walker, Staff Rep
Mychael Jones, Staff Rep

NEXT MEETING DATE

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Discussed our goal to increase participation at this quarter's event: Contemporary Mass on May 8. Spent time "sharing" the post on Facebook and monitoring the way it showed up. Also discussed our significant challenge with membership. The unfortunate loss of our Commission Chair promoted more discussion about our representation. We asked all in the leadership group to help dig deep with recommendations. Molly Mitch has agreed to be the interim chair for a few months in transition. Parish Directory updates include a deadline for submission of our directory of April 24, 2017. A call has gone to Lisa Nelson for counsel and direction on what's next. Melissa will be invited to sit with our group next month and lend some direction as well. Many questions: data integrity, cost, hard cover, soft cover, etc. The Community Life Commission had a representative at the April 11 meeting of the 50th Anniversary Committee.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

The commission was updated on the hire of a new middle grades coordinator of Youth ministry and catechesis. Judy will take adult faith. The commission wishes to clarify that the re-organization and small increase in our budgets is OFF-SET by an increase of \$50 per child/youth for all tuitioned programs, so there is no more money requested from the general funds. We will continue to be status quo in our budget for the coming year. In light of the new "Intentional Discipleship" initiative from the Archdiocese, we started to have a conversation of a new approach to Adult Formation ministries. The commission discussed the membership for next year's commission and a possible council representative put forth by Faith Formation.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Continued to discuss Mass time options for Christmas services. It was decided that we will send a survey to the parish for their input on the schedule. Did conclude that Holyday/Holiday Mass will be held at 9:00am with the anticipatory Mass Holydays at 6:30pm. New Year's Eve Mass will be at 5:00pm. These times do not apply to Ash Wednesday (distribution of ashes at 7:00am and Noon with Mass included at 7:00pm). The next Contemporary Music Mass will be on May 8 at 10:30am. There will be an 8:00am rosary on each Sunday in May.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Leadership Night will be Tuesday, May 17, 2016 at 7:00 PM. **All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend.**