



## THE CHURCH OF SAINT EDWARD

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# CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

February 21, 2017

### INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer led by the Social Justice & Charity Commission.

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PC reviewed and asked questions about a recommendation that two part-time / 25 hours per week directors (one for Community Life and one for Social Justice & Charity) be hired. A "Preliminary Budget #1" for fiscal year 2017-18 was distributed and examined. Next steps include making budget recommendations to Finance Council (FC); PC will conduct a special session on Tuesday, March 7th at 7:00pm.

### ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

**Budget:** Reviewed the F17-18 initial budget and the continuation of key programs; pledges from Stewardship Renewal were included in the overall giving estimate. **Communications:** Committee recommends the launch of Instagram, specifically in time for Holy Week. Plans developing to offer a social media engagement program open to all this summer. Spring newsletter planned. **Note:** No new business was discussed from Building & Grounds or Stewardship.

### PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

**Separated and Divorced:** Survival guide program starts Monday, February 27th. This 12-week series is a new program at our parish. Four people have signed up so far; still hoping for 5-6. Participants are coming from local parishes as well as our own. **Stephen Ministry:** Stephen Ministry just participated in an excellent retreat on "Praying with the Psalms." Also, our parish is hosting a training group this year, which is still in progress. There are three participants; two are from our parish. **Young at Heart:** Young at Heart is preparing for their St Patrick's Day bash. Overall, the committee is responsive to the suggestions and needs of its members. **Budget:** Pastoral Care's budget is \$250 less for 2017-2018. Several ministries have been adjusted, including Addiction and Recovery Ministry, which has been inactive for several years. A discussion of its history and purpose renewed interest in exploring this ministry for future programming.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

**Loaves & Fishes & Catholic Charities:** The meals served at St. Stephen's Loaves & Fishes and at Catholic Charities are going smoothly. **VEAP Garden:** Our parish coordinators for the VEAP garden on our south lawn are looking for some younger helpers to help weed and pick the garden this summer. **Ascension Place:** Our financial donation to Ascension Place (crisis center) was delivered personally; the atmosphere and type of support given to women in transition is impressive. **Sister Parish:** Susan Kellett reported on the Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) meeting she attended in Florida last month. It is very uplifting to know food is getting directly to families in Nicaragua. Families can then stretch their little time and income to provide other items for their families while knowing the family has a few nutritious meals. She is heading to Nicaragua for a couple of weeks in March. **Teresa Toda (Sister Community):** Ann McGuire reported there is enough interest in going to Teresa Toda to plan for two weeks this July. The theme this year is "Women of Faith" represented by the old testament, new testament and a saint. **Parish Staff:** The Parish Council is considering our needs along with the previous job description as they ponder the possible recommendation of a new staff person hire for Social Justice and Community areas. **Families Moving Forward (FMF):** The FMF committee brought concerns to the Social Justice Commission (SJC) about the future of this ministry. The SJC

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### **UPCOMING**

discussed this issue and then made a recommendation to the Parish Council (PC) to consider ending this ministry. The PC will discuss this proposal at its next meeting.

### **COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION**

**Upcoming Events:** Cana Dinner on Saturday, February 25; Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 24; 50th Anniversary on Sunday, September 10; Feast of St Edward on Sunday, September 10. **Staff Person:** A dedicated person is needed to attend planning meetings for the Feast which begin in March; work with the Communications Director on promotions; assist with getting volunteers for the events; assist commission chairs with the monthly meeting agenda; be present at events and monthly meetings and more.

### **FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION**

Current faith formation year is running well. Adult faith has had good turnout for events/speakers. Discussed 2017/2018 budget, which will be presented to Parish Council and the Finance Council. Analyzed current mission statement for Faith Formation—does it draw people in? **Upcoming Events:** Ash Wednesday with Bishop Cozzens, annual Lenten Fish Fry, and Faith Formation Easter event for grades 1-5.

### **WORSHIP COMMISSION**

**Tech Team:** Work on the Technology Assessment (church acoustics, audio, visual and lighting) continues with requirements definition. However, without some funding major progress could be delayed. **Volunteers:** All of the worship committees are in need of more volunteers. Generally the time commitment is minimal and the experience is awesome! Work to get the message out will continue with updates in the bulletin. **Lent:** On Fridays in Lent, starting at 6:30pm, prior to Stations of the Cross, the rosary and divine mercy chaplet will be prayed in the chapel.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled Leadership Night is Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 7:00 PM. **All parishioners are invited.**