



THE CHURCH OF SAINT EDWARD

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CHURCH OF ST. EDWARD LEADERSHIP NIGHT REPORTS

January 17, 2017

INTRODUCTION

Meeting began with prayer led by the Administration Commission.

PARISH COUNCIL*

Reporting from the 50th Anniversary Planning Task Force included discussion about the Mass, founding members, invitations, raffle, pictorial directory, prayer card, display case and Feast Committee. Administration update included financial information, discussion about hiring additional staff, and stewardship. The budget discussion included more detailed discussion of hiring staff for community life and social justice ministries as well as the need to put aside money for parking lot renovation and technology upgrades. The PC will have another special session on January 31st to continue their visioning for the parish.

ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

Stewardship: Received responses from 47% of our parish members. Collectively, parish members have generously committed an additional \$91,000 in support of our parish. **Building and Grounds:** Reported our parking lot is nearing the time for a complete renovation. The committee recommended a capital reserved fund be established to pay for the project, when needed. **Communications:** Committee wanted to thank the parishioner who donated the TV monitor in our church foyer; have received very positive feedback regarding the monitor. **Planning:** Preliminary budgets for the 2017-2018 year are in process and being discussed with commissions in order to be presented to the PC in February.

PASTORAL CARE COMMISSION

Budget: Discussed the current budget and looked forward to next year's budget needs; currently on track to stay under budget for this year and don't foresee any drastic changes for next year. **Programming:** Will be offering a series, The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide. It is a 12-part series using videos of various national speakers and a "support type group" to help people find peace, power, and passion after divorce. The series will be held on Monday evenings starting Feb. 27. Young at Heart group is continuing to grow and their lunches are well received. The February lunch will have a Valentines' theme and will feature a "bear hug " for the heart. **Visioning:** Our Parish Council representative let us know that the council is visioning for the future and our ideas are welcome.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & CHARITY COMMISSION

Each person representing the charitable organizations we are currently sponsoring provided the following updates: **Meals on Wheels:** Received a kind "thank you" and much appreciation to our parish for our continued support of this fine cause. **Loaves and Fishes:** Has been a bit slower in these winter months especially for the older workers and less meals have been provided. **Catholic Charities Lunch Program:** Because of smart shopping, we can serve 200 meals once per month with all the fixings at Catholic Charities at a cost of about \$1.50 per meal. **VEAP Garden:** We are starting to think about our spring garden at the church; it provides a lot of nutrition to help feed the hungry. **Families Moving Forward (FMF):** Very proactive but encountered some rough terrain lately, due to the administrative turnover from the day care centers. In order to continue housing families and children in FMF, our parish will need to establish guidelines and rules so that communication and administration flows much more smoothly. We also are recommending that the Parish Council consider hiring someone (at least part time) to be an assistant to this ministry. **Sister**

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

Parish: Sue Kellett is in Florida and en route to Nicaragua, again working with various ministries and making connections to help those less fortunate. Ann McGuire shared a lot of information about the upcoming mission trip to the Dominican Republic and our sister parish there—Teresa Toda. Lots of exciting things happening. **Contributions:** There was consensus to approve a contribution to Ascension Place (Home for Battered Women). We are going to be revisiting Bridging, Banyan Community and VEAP to see how we might be able to provide additional assistance to these ministries. Discussed possibly providing some kind of help for students (clothing and other supplies), but no conclusions were reached.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Patsy Murphy, PC Rep
Open Co-Chair
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Brian Swain, Staff Rep

FAITH FORMATION

Lois Hummel, PC Rep
Angela Dunbar, Co-Chair
Tammy Kealy, Co-Chair
Patrick Smalley, Staff Rep

WORSHIP

Michael Barg, PC Rep
Dick Stoltman, Co-Chair
Lynn Anne Groebner, Co-Chair
Craig Walker, Staff Rep
Mychael Jones, Staff Rep

UPCOMING

COMMUNITY LIFE COMMISSION

Discussed ways to increase membership on the Community Life commission.

FAITH FORMATION COMMISSION

Welcomed Nicole Smalley as Director of Faith Formation: Birth to Grades 8. Updates were given by each of the faith formation committees on recent events and changes. Discussed upcoming all-parish event on February 1st with Archbishop Hebda. Envisioned new faith formation activities, especially at the child/youth level. Reviewed faith formation budget.

WORSHIP COMMISSION

Tech Team: The technology review and assessment continues with the help of an acoustical engineer. **Christmas:** The Nativity scene location was discussed, as it presented a potential safety concern during Advent. The commission will be considering alternative locations for the future. Volunteers were in low number for the various worship ministries during Christmas Masses. This is a concern for Christmas 2017, as there will be seven Masses in three days; recruiting will start earlier. Many positive comments were received regarding the Candle Light Mass at 10:30pm on Christmas Eve. **Ministers:** Cantor and greeter positions are in need of participants for all Masses. There will be Masses in upcoming weeks where there will be music but no cantor because of this shortage.

NEXT MEETING

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