

Adult Enrichment Committee Minutes

June 8, 2010

6:00 PM Library

- I. Readings and Reflection
Attendees: Kathy, Sally, Larry, Jane, Kenneth, and Patti

- II. Review of Last 12 Months
 - A. Bible study groups (Jeff Cavens and Little Rock) went well
 - B. Dr. Loome's study of C. S. Lewis' Mere Christianity – no report on how that went
 - C. Women's and Men's Days of Spirituality were not well attended. Those who did attend enjoyed them. Men's Spirituality was not as well attended when we avoided the Hot Air Affair. Very well attended the year before when we conflicted with the Hot Air Affair. How do we increase attendance? Or should we cancel them?
 - D. Larry's book club had about 10 people last summer. 7 or 8 people have signed up already this year. Details are in the bulletin.
 - E. Fr. Mark Pierce was not well attended. Should we invite him again this coming year?

- III. Suggestions for Upcoming Activities and Events
 - A. Little Rock groups have done all or about all of the Little Rock offerings – Larry will talk to Phyllis about what they are thinking about doing this coming year
 - B. The Jeff Cavens groups will study the Vatican II document in a 6-week program using a book and video
 - C. A suggestion was made to offer "Just Faith" to the Bible study groups. It was pointed out that "Just Faith" is not Bible study. It is an intense 34-week study of the Church's social doctrines. One person from the parish needs to take the lead on this and attend training.
 - D. Larry will check with Fr. Dan about Dr. Loome's study of C. S. Lewis' The Screwtape Letters planned for this Fall
 - E. Dead Sea scrolls – The suggestion was made to provide an introductory study to increase interest. The discussion included how long the study would need to be and that it would need to occur over the summer since the Dead Sea scrolls are only here until October.
 - F. The suggestion was made to promote retreats. The men of the parish already have a retreat available in the fall at DeMontreville. Larry will check into dates, locations, and costs for a women's retreat.
 - G. The suggestion was made to offer child care. The problem is that it is hard to find volunteers to provide child care.
 - H. There was a lively discussion on paid vs. non-paid events. What should we require attendees to pay for – if anything? Does charging for an event increase its perceived value or just drive away potential attendees?
 - I. Young Adults – Tom Kroll will work with focus groups for ages 25 to 39 to find out their wants and needs.
 - J. Suggestion and discussion of using music groups to draw people in.

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- K. Fall Fest is scheduled for the first weekend in October.
 - L. Suggestion to have movie nights for families.
 - M. PCCW is organizing a trip to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 - N. Theology on Tap – if there is an interest expressed in the focus groups
 - O. Theology on Thursdays – this doesn't happen on a consistent basis
 - P. Focus on returning Catholics during Easter next year
- IV. For the Adult Enrichment Committee Members
- A. Recommend exploring the series "Our Hearts were Burning within Us"
 - B. Come to the next meeting with ideas for the Brochure
 - 1) Speakers
 - 2) Retreats
 - 3) Little Rock groups
 - 4) Jeff Cavens
 - 5) Women/Men Day of Spirituality (or Retreats)
- V. Next Meeting
July 12, 2010 at 6:00 PM in the Library
- VI. Adjourn