

Adult Enrichment Committee Minutes

Tuesday, December 9, 2008

6:00pm Library

I. Introduction and Reflections

Those Present: Larry, Sally, Nancy, Darlene, Jane and Patti

II. Formation Committee

A. Report from Kenneth

The Formation Committee would like our committee's mission statement to describe how we will support the mission of the Formation committee. The suggestion was made to change our mission to state the following:

*The mission of the Adult Enrichment Committee is to **assist the Parish Formation Committee** by providing opportunities for the adult members of St. Patrick's Church to enrich their understanding and appreciation of the Catholic Tradition through the Sacraments, education, spiritual formation, liturgy and activities promoting peace and justice in their daily lives.*

Our committee will continue to work on and develop our mission statement.

B. Discussion of any activities our committee needs to complete

The Formation Committee is asking that we plan and sponsor a parish-wide activity during Lent. We decided to use our Theology Thursday event in March for this purpose. Nancy will ask Dick if he would be willing to present on the history of Lent.

III. Bible Study Evaluation

A. Review of compiled survey questions

A final survey was developed based on previous group discussion and written suggestions from committee members. Sally will email this out.

B. Further discussion of goals of this evaluation

Larry would like to see us look at what other small groups could be developed based on evaluation feedback.

IV. Men/Women's Day of Spirituality

A. Update on Women's Day

1. Title of event

Sausages and Saints is the title with St. Judy from St. Bede's presenting.

2. Date and time

The Women's Day of Spirituality is scheduled for January 24, 2009 from 9am-3pm.

B. Marketing of these events

Larry will take care of marketing for the Men's day and Nancy and Mary Jo will be in charge of this for the Women's day. These events are coming up fast so bulletin announcements will need to be done ASAP. Discussion on submitting these events to the La Crosse Diocesan paper was talked about as well.

C. Volunteers needed?

V. Theology Thursday's

A. Upcoming January event

Fr. Mark Pierce is coming on January 15.

1. Marketing and announcing this event

This is being announced in the bulletin and Larry is going to have a further discussion with Terry about additional marketing.

2. Committee member involvement

We will do a Free Will Offering and have a basket available. Patti and Kenneth will stop by Sam's Club to pick up some refreshments for after Fr. Pierce's presentation. Committee members will need to try and be available before and afterwards to help with set up and clean up. Further direction of duties will be discussed at next month's meeting.

B. Planning for upcoming events

1. February – Gregg

Gregg is on board for speaking on the History of the Mass at our February event. We would like this scheduled for February 19 and Sally will check with Ellen on the availability of the Social Hall.

2. Future speakers/topic

a. Social Concerns committee

The Social Concerns committee suggested Bob Walz from Guardian Angels Church as a potential speaker on Catholic Social Teaching. Sally will research this suggestion with the hope of offering this topic at the May event.

b. speaker on liturgy

VI. New Business

A. Any additional topics or agenda items

It was suggested that our committee sponsor a book table four times a year. This can be a great money maker and all we need is someone to take the lead on this. We would like to see other small groups established in addition to Bible studies. Our group should consider bringing back parish retreats. And mark your calendars for October 18-21, 2009 for the Parish Mission.

VII. Adjourn

Merry Christmas until our next meeting!

Next meeting: January 13, 2008 6:00pm