

Stewardship Committee Minutes  
2/17/09

Attending: Howard Cameron, John Rukavina, Rosemary Ahlberg, Joe Smrdel, Dianne Evert, Claire Zajac, and Cathy Smolinske.

Meeting began at 7 PM with stewardship prayer.

Report from Hospitality Subcommittees:

1. Continuing process to review and update newcomer packets.
2. Howard C. will pick dates with Fr. Parr for quarterly newcomer coffees (after Masses) probably to begin in June.
3. Suggested making follow-up postcards to help with informing and reminding new parishioners of upcoming welcome coffees. When events began, may want to invite all newly registered from the last year. Claire Z. and Cathy S. have a proto-type of such a card.
4. John R. and Rosemary A. are gathering info regarding mentoring new families. Also will work on helping to coordinate a stewardship bulletin board where individuals can offer services or can post notices for help needed.
5. Continuing process on newcomer home visit program. May also consider a telephone program.
6. Dianne E. is working with liturgist Terry B. on instructions and training for Parish Ministers of Hospitality.
7. Stewardship committee would like to invite representatives of the Parish Fellowship Committee and any other groups working with hospitality to a future meeting to help coordinate efforts and avoid duplication of programs.

Report from Prayer Subcommittee:

1. Joe Smrdel completed stewardship prayer update and reprint.
2. In process to distribute prayer cards to committees to use at meetings. Update at March meeting.

Report from Formation Subcommittee:

1. In process is a group researching a kind of kiosk to use for various information purposes in the gathering area. More research and meetings scheduled.
2. Cost has been determined concerning a banner with the stewardship logo for the church wall to be used at different times (Welcoming, Mission, Pentecost, other liturgical feasts or seasons). Group discussed possible banner headings. May decide on a large banner and some smaller banners or posters. Final wording to be determined. Will discuss again at March meeting.

Report from Service Subcommittee:

1. Time and Talent follow-up in process. Cathy S. and Dianne E. will continue to input any new cards/new parishioner stewardship info. Phyllis Koss will send new info to program heads and staff on a regular basis (maybe monthly from this time on). Program

heads and staff will be contacted to see if they are receiving the information and having any difficulty in contacting new volunteers.

2. Suggested making follow-up postcards to help with new contacts and send reminders of upcoming trainings/meetings. Claire Z. and Cathy S. have a proto-type of such a card.
3. Claire Z. is following up on the “dreams” expressed on the Time and Talent cards.
4. Will determine leadership of a Ministry Fair event for October 2009 in conjunction with the Parish Mission scheduled in October (17-21).

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.