

Stewardship Committee
Minutes, 4/7/09

Attending: Fr. John Parr, Howard Cameron, Dan Dewitt, Rosemary Alberg, and Cathy Smolinske
Meeting began at 7 PM with a prayer.

Report from Hospitality Subcommittee:

John Rukavina sent a handout for consideration concerning the proposed mentoring program, "We Belong to Each Other." Stewardship Committee will discuss at the next meeting.

Suggestion made that Stewardship Committee should meet as a larger group on April 21 and separate into smaller work groups for the summer. One group would cover the large Hospitality Ministries programs. The other group would work on other stewardship projects.

Quarterly coffee for newcomers with Fr. Parr scheduled for the weekend of May 16-17. Follow-up planning, invitations, bulletin announcements necessary.

Current fellowship committee will be asked to continue through summer and Stewardship Hospitality Committee will consider incorporating that committee/reorganizing for Fall 2009.

Dianne Evert reported by e-mail that scheduling has gone well for ministers of hospitality for the Easter Triduum services. Dianne is willing to help with new member coffees or pizza parties in the future. Howard Cameron complimented the work Dianne is doing with organizing the ministers of hospitality.

Group discussed that time is getting close for another Parish Directory Project and the ways that project may assist with hospitality and stewardship goals.

Report from Formation Subcommittee:

Stewardship Bulletin Inserts: Good feedback received on recent stewardship newsletter. Group can pick a brochure for a future insert. Two brochures under consideration are: "Living Abundantly in Difficult Financial Times" and "Abundance Through Stewardship." Group will decide which brochure and when to insert in bulletin at next meeting. Also, can make a 1 page insert with collected stewardship notes for a future bulletin insert. Decide about this option and when to distribute.

Status of parish information kiosk will be determined at next meeting.

Banner Design not yet completed. Will be presented at next meeting.

Diocesan Stewardship Day is scheduled for May 20, 2009 in Hudson, WI. Committee members should consider if they can attend. More information to be announced.

Report from Service Subcommittee:

Claire Z. is following up on "dream cards" from time & talent mailing.

Father Parr has meeting scheduled concerning Parish Mission program in the Fall and tie in to Stewardship theme.

Howard C. brought up possibility of making a new parish video, slideshow to highlight different ministries for use at newcomer coffees, ministry fair, etc.

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 21, 2009, 7 PM.