

## Evangelization Committee Minutes: St. Mary of the Hills

Location: Holy Family Regional School, room 312

Date: March 16, 2016      7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**Attendance:** Karen Dudek, Jay Fedewa, Deb Valot, Karen Schenk,  
Mary Bomarito, Michaeleen Dolinski, Beth Belesky,  
Susie Phillips, Hugh Buchanan, Mark Joyce

1. **Opening Prayer:** Karen Schenk

2. **Project Updates:**

#	Title	Leaders	Status
1	SPSE update	Mark	Training scheduled for April 23: we will have a team of four or five evangelists here for the day. Chris Gawel at the AOD is helping to advertise. We are planning for up to 75 people. Have 20 RSVPs currently. Day starts at 8:30 with refreshments and coffee. Class runs from 9 – 3. The day will include a box lunch. Mark is looking into caterers to do the lunch. Mark is asking everyone to use Facebook to get the word out. It is in the bulletin and on website.
2	Parish Mission	Jay and all	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Jay met with printers today and has a prototype postcard which will go out to all homes within the parish boundary. Mission ad is on the website and bulletin and narthex. We have contacted other parishes to advertise in their bulletins. Mark Mancinotti has contacted local newspapers. Hugh has put in prayers of the faithful.</li> <li>2. Karen Schenk will contact Laura C and/or Sherry Link to get students needing service hours to support the mission as greeters/doorpersons, and with food. Karen will ask Laura or Sherry to handle the sign-up. Six students per night will help meet the need.</li> <li>3. Mark M will help get ushers to handle the freewill collection each night.</li> <li>4. Richard will talk about 60 -90 minutes each night. Refreshments will be served after.</li> <li>5. Michaeleen is contacting Paula P for help with cookies. We will plan for 300 – 400 people the first night.</li> <li>6. Music - Beth has talked with Dan Greig, and Dan can try to locate a musician. Dan is willing to talk to Richard directly. Jay will send Richard's email to Dan</li> <li>7. Deb will contact Sherry about having students stuff the postcards into the Easter books (the giveaway books) and put the books on carts like they did for the Christmas books.</li> </ol>
3	Nightfever	Beth & Mark	1. Deb said that Chris Kozlowski is very supportive and wants SMYG kids to be able to announce it as the cars are parked.

			<p>2. Karen Dudek suggested we have a booth at Borden Park – could have brochures for Year of Mercy, other hand-outs, a place for people to go and talk to someone. People get there early and walk around. It would be a good opportunity to talk to people. Karen Schenk will contact Rochester Hills to find out about getting permission for a booth. Susie will mention this to Father Stan and ask his permission.</p> <p>3. Karen Schenk mentioned that the crosses will be up again that week - the last half of June.</p> <p>4. Beth recapped the plan for the evening: Volunteers gather, prayer, meal, the church is open from 10:30 to midnight.</p> <p>5. We need to reserve parking spaces for the volunteers, and help them with driving directions because the traffic is bad and the roads are closed at Hamlin and John R.</p> <p>5. Mark will set up a committee to work through the planning details. We need to include Worship (which is well-integrated with 3 members also on the Evangelization Committee), as well as Youth, and other parish groups.</p> <p>4. Music – need live instrumental music. Violin and harp would be nice. Deb will talk to Dan Greig.</p> <p>5. Susie will announce at the parish council meeting Saturday.</p> <p>6. SMOTH is responsible for the altar set-up and altar dressed in red and white, with a Divine Mercy image. The monstrance will be on the altar.</p> <p>7. Hospitality chairman needs to be identified for the volunteer meal.</p>
4	Dialogue Gathering Sessions	Hugh and Susie	<p>Dialogue sessions are to provide input into the November symposium (synod). The participants are to be asked questions about how they came to know Christ. There are three sessions planned:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. May 21 at the Parish Council meeting: The agenda will be dedicated to this dialogue gathering. This is open to all parish leadership – parish council and all commission members and volunteers who are in attendance.</li> <li>2. May 25 – evening prayer, dinner, table discussion, and large group sharing. Eventbrite registration will be required.</li> <li>3. June 12 – a Townhall format is scheduled after the 11:00 mass. There will be refreshments, questions, and participants are invited to write their comments on index cards and, especially, to stand up and share their comments. At all the sessions, the comments will be written down by the session “scribe” and sent to the AOD prior to the synod.</li> </ol>

### 3. Roundtable

- a. **Mark** – Matthew Kelly tickets for the event at St. Andrew’s in October 2016 are selling well. St. Andrew’s had their parish mission last week and sold tickets there. Tickets are expected to sell out by July or so.
- b. **Karen Dudek** – We will be running a “Good News minute” and bulletin articles after Easter to encourage the pilgrimage to the Cathedral for the Year of Mercy. Karen would like to form carpools to help people who might not have transportation.
- c. **Karen Dudek and Hugh** – The prisoner prayer ministry has started with the Oakland County Jail women’s inmates. Hugh will be contacting the men’s prison as well. Many of the prayer requests from the women are around sobriety and substance abuse issues. Karen has contacted Father Stan about some type of prayer service and the intention is to invite the parish to pray for anyone they know with these issues.

### 4. Closing Prayer: Karen Dudek

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#### SMOTH Evangelization Committee Meetings:

St. Mary of the Hills – 7 – 9 p.m.

April 13 (WOF)

May 18 (WOF)

June 8 (WOF)

#### SMOTH Parish Council Meetings:

March 19

April 16

May 21 (Dialogue Gathering session for the synod preparation)

June 18

#### PAV Evangelization Committee Meetings: St. Mary of the Hills – St. Andrew’s classroom

7 – 9 p.m.

March 28

April 25

May 23