

## St. Mary of the Hills Fellowship Minutes Saturday, November 19, 2016

**Chairperson:** open **Vice-Chairperson:** open

**Present:** Loretta Bonello, Jay Fedewa, Judy Rhoads, John Schuler, Julie and Michaeleen Dolinski

We went through the Vicariate questionnaire. Most exciting: Picnic and Night Fever, Greatest challenge: Participation by more parish members volunteering, Dream: 100% attendance at weekly mass by parishioners.

**Committee Work (Winter Activities):** Trivia Night with beverages. Trivia questions could be a mixture of religious, geography, entertainment, sports, etc. Groups would work together to get answers to the trivia questions. Various places have or are doing these so see how it works. Some are Red Ox Tavern, Muldoon's and Augie's.

**Advent by Candlelight:** This is all wrapped up. It is doing well. They are switching things up to make it more user friendly.

**Bravehearts:** Jay will be hosting a breakfast for the group next weekend at his home.

**Funeral Lunch:** Bev Schuler is heading this group. She is redoing it to get some new people to volunteer. It's really a fellowship deal.

**Graduation Brunch:** Only a few families attended last year after mass. We want to get actual participants active in planning this event in 2017. Perhaps this will increase the attendance at the brunch.

**Welcome Center:** This is a meet and greet for folks as they come in our church. Question came up. Should we train the volunteers (ushers, welcome committee, readers, etc.) to greet folks in a more professional way? We want to encourage folks to open up to people you DO NOT know to make them feel welcomed.