

STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION (SC) MINUTES – 18March2017

Attendance: Laura Corrion, Ken Corrion, Richard Danforth, Carol Gunther
Excused: Jim Armistead, Clem Valot

SC's Mission: to promote, encourage, and pray for the tithing of time, talent, and treasure by all parishioners in spiritual and material support of our parish.

1. Promote on-line giving program:
 - Reviewed literature provided by Laura on *Ways to Expand On-line Giving* program and *Six Mistakes Made with On-line Giving*, and discussed our personal experiences with offertory giving.
 - Agreed that direction from Arnie and a better understanding of available options for ACH or credit card giving programs are needed to be able to effectively promote. Laura to get with Jennifer S and Arnie V and discuss next week. Carol to send quick email to explain our intent.
 - 1-page document detailing on-line giving options to be created for promotional use.
 - Tabled promotional efforts until Fall so we can run concurrent with increased weekly offertory appeal.

2. Newcomer Dinner: Quarterly SMOTH Newcomer Dinner for newly registered parishioners to be reinstated April, July, October, and January. Details for the first event include:
 - a.) Light Dinner and group gathering in the gym following the 11:00 Palm Sunday Mass on 9April.
 - b.) Carol to develop strawman Agenda, and invite SMOTH speakers to give witness and information about the parish: Fr Stan, Commission and Parish Council representatives will be asked.
 - c.) Laura to coordinate hostess to organize dinner, and possibly childcare.
 - d.) Laura to send invites to approximately 37 recently registered families.
 - e.) Laura to contact Cookie Ministry Chair, Paula P, and request cookies for dessert and for the Welcome bags.
 - f.) Carol to put together SMOTH Welcome bags with CD or book materials from Evangelization (Beth B and Susie P were asked to provide at PC meeting); parish Directory; 1-page summary of Commissions from Richard; other small items (SMOTH water bottle and refrigerator magnet with Mass times); and a sleeve of cookies baked by our Cookie Ministry.

3. Skills Inventory and Volunteer Database: Still growing. Successfully being used to contact parishioners who have expressed specific skills and interests in volunteering. Laura's Ministry corner in the Bulletin and SMOTH Website are still mainstay of publicizing volunteer opportunities.

Next SC/PC meeting is Saturday, 22Apr starting with Chapel Service at 8:00 AM.

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