

# STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION MINUTES - 21October, 2017

**In Attendance:** Lisa Larson, Jim Armistead, Clem Valot, Laura Corrion, Carol Gunther

**Absent:** Mark Joyce (excused), Richard Danforth

## The following was discussed:

- 1. Newcomer Lunch:** Finalized plans for Luncheon October 22, 2017 after the 11 a.m. Mass.
  - Commission representatives speaking include Hugh Buchanan, Denise Kay, Sr Grace Keane and Carol Gunther. The Losh family (Mike, Anne and Maeve) offered to host/serve lunch and cleanup afterwards.
  - Carol published the Agenda and is working on gift bags. Cookies are arriving later today. Carol will take care of setting tables and decorating.
  - Lisa ordered sandwiches and potato salad from Nino's for 10:00AM Sunday pickup.
  - SC is disappointed with low interest in this event: only 8 responses (3 declines and 5 accepts) were received out of 61 email invites (plus reminder emails) sent by Lisa to our newly registered families. We will reexamine the Newcomer Luncheon Event format and call a couple other parishes to understand what they do to welcome new parish members.
- 2. Volunteer JOY Event, (Ministry Awareness Weekend), November 11/12:**
  - Fr Stan will acknowledge all ministries/committees either at Homily time or during Good News at all Masses. How this will work is Father Stan will thank all volunteers, as he recognizes each ministry (handbook listing). Those involved (past and present) will be asked to stand and remain standing until all ministries are acknowledged. He can tie this into the increased offertory or focus on the large amount of people it takes to support a thriving parish, etc.
  - Lisa to coordinate with Fr Stan and provide him details – list of ministries to read.
  - This is a very visual and public thanking of all our volunteers.
  - SC will have new Ministry Handbooks and Skills Inventory forms in the pews for parishioners to take/fill out. Each commission was asked to revise their own section. Lisa is making the changes and will have copies printed and available for JOY weekend.
  - **JOY: Jesus is first, Others come second, You are last** is the theme. Lisa has colorful **JOY** artwork ready to go and is working on small cards to pass out at the Event as well as posters for the door windows publicizing the **JOY** Weekend. She will have TV monitor **JOY** slide for Mike/Arnie to display starting this weekend as well as a before Mass slide for Dan to display next weekend.
  - SC will host a cupcake/coffee/reception in the gym after all the Masses. Hospitality help is needed.
  - **Help is needed beforehand with set-up, and after all 3 Masses with the gym reception (hosting and cleanup). Please contact Lisa with your availability.**

**Our next Parish Council meeting is Saturday, 18Nov2017. Due to other commitments, the Stewardship Commission will not be meeting beforehand.**

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