

# Evangelization Committee Meeting Minutes

St. Mary of the Hills Conference Room

November 12, 2019

Attendance: Beth Belesky, Jay Fedewa, Janet Gerhard, Denise Kay, Karen Schenk, Deb Valot

## 1. Opening Prayer – Group

## 2. Old Business –

- a. **Unleash the Gospel (UTG)** – SMOTH is now in wave 1; “Sent on a Mission” starting this month. Fr. Stan to explain this at Parish Council on Saturday.
- b. **Book Handouts** – “*Rediscover the Saints*” by Matthew Kelly. Karen suggested coming up with 3 bullet points summarizing the book and ask Father Stan to please talk about them on the pulpit during Advent to peek interest. Great book, a must read. Create a video to run before masses. Talk with Fr Stan for permission at Parish Council. Do we want to do a bookmark for book – consider advertising Awaken and Lenten Mission?
- c. **Parish Day of Renewal** – 11/15 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, MI – all day retreat. Several staff members and EvC members are going. Registration is paid for by the EvC budget so if interested contact Deb Valot. The keynote speaker is Sr. Miriam James Heidland, S.O.L.T. Several of us had the privilege of listening to her this summer in Steubenville and she is “on fire”. We can guarantee that this will be a wonderful experience.
- d. **Awaken Ministry at SMOTH** – Scheduled for Friday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, winter series. Need to start advertising. This is a parish event and all commissions and committees need to spread the word to ensure good attendance. Will need to look for speaker and publicize. Beth has posters and postcards to advertise.
- e. **Movie “The Divine Plan”** – This movie is about the relationship of Pope John Paul and President Reagan, brought together by their assignation attempts, a friendship built upon their spiritual faith, with a common goal to end Communism. Karen bought 2 copies of the book.
- f. **“Building Better Families”** – by Matthew Kelly. They are given as gifts to the baptism parents.
- g. **Spiritual Renewal One Day Retreat** – Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> and Sacred Heart Major Seminary led by Bishop Sam Jacobs. The cost is \$65 and since the venue only holds 400 people, early registration is recommended. The link for registration: (<https://www.dccr.info/seminars-classes>). It is sponsored by The Assembly of the Detroit Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

## 3. New Business – None

## 4. Project Updates Chart

Number	Title	Leaders	Status
1	ChristLife	Clem	Put on hiatus for this year. Consider something else in its place. Suggestion: Purchase “Divine Plan” DVD and hold a movie night. Deb to purchase. Need to select a date.

2	<b>Library</b>	Clem / Karen	Consider ordering additional carts, maybe permanent ones. Clem to look into it. Publicize on screens in lobby and before mass.
3	<b>St. Paul Street Evangelization</b>	Mark, Denise	Next Awaken: Friday, November 15 <sup>th</sup> at St Mary, Cause of Our Joy in Westland (Fall Series).
4	<b>Contacting New Parishioners</b>	Beth / All	New list handed out.
5	<b>Lenten Mission 2020</b>	Beth	Bill Wegner has been scheduled for March 8-11, 2020. 1 <sup>st</sup> 3 nights in church, last 7-9PM evening will be at school (MPR). Identify the assigned staff person. This is a parish event and requires support of all commissions and committees! Should establish a subcommittee chaired by someone from staff. Need to discuss where the money comes from.
6	<b>EvC representatives to the Commissions: For 2018/19</b>	All - continuing	PC Officers – Jay (Pres); Denise (VP) Christian Service – Karen Education – Deb Fellowship – Jay, Denise Stewardship – Clem, Mark Worship – Beth Evangelization Rep for PC – Denise
7	<b>EvC Bulletin Column</b>	Team	We need volunteers. Consider volunteering for a month. It's just two articles/month. On the 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> weekends each month. It can be about anything that helps Evangelize and build people's Catholic faith; an article you read, a church teaching, events or groups in the church, or a book report. Denise can provide the bulletin format. October – Denise November – Mark December – Karen (showcase the Matthew Kelly book) January – Denise February – ? March – ? April – ?
8	<b>Steubenville - Defending the Faith</b>	Jay / Denise	Next Year date; July 24-26, 2020. Jay will be an ambassador again. Getting lots of calls, register early! Early registration opened November 12 <sup>th</sup> .
9	<b>Nightfire / Festival of the Hills</b>	Jay / Mark / All	June 24, 2020 (Wednesday). More to come in spring!
10	<b>Name Tag Weekends</b>	Beth / Denise	Next date – May 16 <sup>th</sup> /17 <sup>th</sup> – weekend after Mother's Day. Beth to schedule.
11	<b>Holy Hour Gift Cards &amp; Holder</b>	Deb / Karen	Deb will order the cards. Karen looking into having a table made for the cards. We need to get Fr. Stan approval to make a table.
12	<b>Future Ideas</b>		See below

**5. Future Consideration –**

- a. Prayer Teams after Mass – on hold for now.

**6. Roundtable –**

**7. Closing Prayer –**

**8. Upcoming meeting dates – all meetings at 7pm; Location SMOTH Conference Rm**

December 10<sup>th</sup> – Advent pot-luck dinner together prior to meeting at 7:00pm

January 14<sup>th</sup>

February 11<sup>th</sup>

March 18<sup>th</sup>

April 14<sup>st</sup>

May 12<sup>th</sup>

June 9<sup>th</sup> – potluck end of year