

MEETING NOTES

Evangelization & Catechesis
Monthly Meeting: February 7, 2018
Chairman: Justin Bennett

Welcome / Opening

- Attendees: Pam Begovich, Justin Bennett, Brent Billman, Dave Brunzman, Gil Castillo, Patti Graziani, Zack Hinger, Matt Volpenhein
- Opened in prayer, offered prayers for Parish Life & Stewardship
- Reflection on Divine Renovation, Chapter 5 § 4-6 (Gil Castillo)
- Parish and Commission Mission Statements (Justin Bennett)

Pastoral Associate Update (Zack Hinger)

- Budget for E&CC
 - Reviewed E&CC budget details, specifically the new-in-town mailings and new commission initiatives line items.
 - **Action item: Zack will check if monthly fees have changed for new-in-town mailings**
 - Considered budgeting for broad mailing campaigns for targeted evangelization
 - Item of note: children's, adult, and youth ministry groups have similar expenses to one another.
- Next Steps after One Step Closer
 - Parish Life & Stewardship says targeting one specific Fish Fry/ Stations of the Cross would be a wonderful idea, but not feasible due to long lines leading to a negative experience.
 - Green light given to focus on any Fish Fry/Stations
 - Communication around Stations
 - Make a compelling case to come
 - Announce regularly during Fish Fry (e.g. every ½ hour)
 - Notable signage
 - Have a booth – something like the 1% challenge
 - Keep evangelistic call alive for parishioners
 - **Action item: Zack will work with Sarah to produce materials to equip parishioners – having a toolkit ready by Ash Wednesday**
 - Journeying with people through Lent

- Ongoing Effort from One Step Closer
 - **Action item: Zack tasked us to lay out a proposal for our continued effort. Each member consider ideas**
 - Overarching long-term strategy
 - For example, annually hold two events inviting to Mass, two inviting to the parish, two very entry-level events

E&CC Ministry Specific Items

- Ministry Leader Gathering (Matt Volpenhein)
 - Matt will prepare and lead the opening prayer, kick off intros.
 - Intros: name, ministry, target audience, how are people involved, key events
 - Go over job descriptions – have hand-outs, everyone reads their own, adds notes
 - **Action item: Zack will print out the job descriptions and hand them out**
 - During the snack break, Justin will be leading Evangelization & Hospitality Strategy
- Evangelizing Hospitality Update (Justin Bennett)
 - Justin walked us through a draft of his presentation for the ML Gathering
 - Necessity of relationships in evangelization
 - Past/Present/Future ideas for initiatives
 - Creating a welcoming environment
 - One Step Closer review

Ministry Updates

- Highlighted Living Waters and NFP ministries
- Men's Retreat coming up
- Faith Flight on 2/21 about Evangelization

Closing

- Discussed praying for people as mentioned in Divine Renovation
- Closing Prayer
- Next Meeting – March 14th 2018, 7-9pm in the Youth Room