

Education Commission/Evangelization & Formation Committee Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2017

Members Present: Father John, Bill Manthe, Kitty Mumm, Josh Jensen, Jenny Winter, Mike Tennesson, Lynn Crooks, Marianne Giesen, Julie Boughton and Denise Vesperman

Members Absent: Jeanne Reidl-Zenz

Guest Present: Gretchen Hauck

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

Bill Manthe led with an opening prayer and *Hail Mary*.

Members present approved the agenda and March minutes.

Bill Manthe reported on Adult Faith Formation.

- The current Lenten study “Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues” by Bishop Robert Barron is a six week study and is going well.
- St. Clement sponsored the movie, *Ignatius of Loyola: Soldier, Sinner, Saint* at the Grantland Theatre in March. The movie was seen by 219 people and after advertising, movie rental and theatre rental the net profit was \$119.
 - Grantland Theatre is willing to work with St. Clements if the parish would like to do something like this in the future.
- Easter Vigil went well. Those welcomed into our parish will continue to meet with Bill.

Kitty Mumm reported on Religious Education.

- Twenty students will be making their First Communion April 30th. They will be attending the Eucharist Retreat the Saturday before.
- Seventeen students from our parish will be confirmed May 10th. A total of 75 will be confirmed from neighboring parishes on this night.
- Next Wednesday is the final Religious Education class for this school year.
- May Crowning will be Saturday, May 13th. Watch the bulletin for more information.
- The Ver Sacrum Schoenstatt Girls Camp will be June 12-15 for those going into grades 1 – 6.
- Everything is set for Love Begins Here.
- Reviewing a religious education family based format. Possible changing the format for the next school year.

Josh Jensen reported on the School.

- This is a busy time of the year
 - First Communion is soon
 - Speech contest coming up
 - Will have student readers during mass (building a good foundation)
 - Pizza sale fundraiser is going on now.
 - The Spring Program is coming up
 - 5th and 6th graders are planning a trip to Camp Grey
 - Last day of school will be May 26th
- Students recently brought back their Rice Bowl Contributions
 - Great experience pooling the money to see how each student's contribution really adds up (usually around \$800 is raised)
 - In length discussion: Concerns over CRS and whether or not the school should continue to support this cause.
- Saturday, April 1 was the 2nd annual Celebration Of Giving Auction to benefit St Clement School
 - Very successful; raised around \$50,000
 - One particular item actioned off was a day off for your teacher, which yielded 12 days off for Mrs. Mumm
- St. Clement's Living Stations of the Cross was recently featured in the Catholic Harold.
- Recent meetings with School Families have been very positive and optimistic. The purpose of the meetings has been to inform families of the future goals: reduce fundraising, raise tuition, and reduce the parish commitment to the school.

Other Discussion:

- Father brought forth an opportunity for our parish to provide a meal to those with disabilities (open to the public) and the parish would get \$500 toward reimbursement
- Members were asked to continue to review the items listed on the calendar for the upcoming year. Let Kitty know which events members would be interested in heading/helping with.
- Plans are to add the *Holy Spirit, My Friend and Guide* prayer to all parish printouts

Next regular meeting will take place on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Closing Prayer by Father

Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.