

## Education Commission Meeting Minutes October 10, 2016

Present: Fr. Kopson, Dawn Dwyer, Rebecca Bridgnanan, Annie Lybik, Ellen Salter, Kelly Hodorek, Marti Biscaro

Absent: Tom Mitchell, Tess Noonan

Topics for faith formation nights in January and February 2017 were discussed. There will possibly be a talk on iconography and praying with icons in January. In February there may be a talk on theology of the family.

Lighthouse Catholic Media is offering \$1 books as parishioner gifts for Christmas until November 7. The two books are: Mother Teresa of Calcutta, A Personal Portrait; The Lambs Supper; The Mass As Heaven On Earth

Also, Dynamic Catholic is offering Resisting Happiness for \$1 Fr. John will discuss with Fr. Jim.

The Traveling Chalice will be in the grade school soon. Dawn Dwyer may start with the sixth graders.

The possibility of a performance of 'At His Feet' by parishioner Catherine Zardus' drama ministry was discussed. The group performs 3 stories from Scripture. It would be an evening of reflection and fellowship for women and would include refreshments. Tentative dates are Friday February 3 or February 10.

Kelly Hodorek, member of 6 parish evangelization committee shared upcoming events:

-St. Linus Dinner and Movie event 11-5, movie is War Room. St. Linus also hosting Bible study which involves video and discussion.

-St. Mel hosting Parable Project, family oriented drama ministry 10-17.

-A Cursillo event may occur in the near future. It's a 3 day weekend retreat to develop faith, leadership and witnessing. She also shared that there is friction and frustration for parishioners whose parishes are closing/merging. Even with the work of transition committees, many lose their faith.

Fr. John shared that he received positive feedback from a longtime parishioner about the evangelization table at the homecoming game. The need for signage and a canopy/tent was discussed because there were other tables and tents set up nearby. The evangelization table may be set up at some varsity basketball games. Fr. John stated that the archdiocesan synod will be in November and that an evangelization program will probably unfold in the spring. He also said a parishioner is willing to start a Bible study program. Fr. Kopson recommended The Eucharist Bible Study Guide by Fr. Mitch Pacwa.

Next meeting 11-7.

Marti Biscaro