

EDUCATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 06, 2017

Commission members present:

Rebecca Bridgnanan, Tess Noonan, Annie Lybik, Kelly Hodorek , Dawn Dwyer, Father John Kopson, Tom Mitchell,

Absent: Ellen Salter, Marti Biscaro

Committee Reports

Opening Prayer:

- Fr. John opened our meeting with a prayer and thanks.

Parish Council Report:

- Reviewed the "Pulse of the Parish" proposition. This is a way to allow parishioners to make a comment or suggestion towards making D.C. Parish strong, vibrant and helpful .
- After each mass two Parish Council members would be available to take parishioners comments and suggestions. These comments would be brought to the next Parish Council meeting to address various issues and seek answers if there is need to.
- Fr. John shared the progress of the ceiling renovation in the church and everything seems on track.

Religious Education:

- Dawn shared Confirmation retreat for the Eighth grade went well
- 4 children are in RCIA
- First reconciliation completed, now working towards First communion and Confirmation Sacraments

Evangelization Committee:

- Kelly shared that the Evangelization Committee has scheduled Michael Bustamante to speak to the Parents of the Catechists to share his journey and how parents can help and support their Catechists.
- Michael will be presenting the last week in March the date and time will be in the bulletin. Kelly to follow up with Marilyn.

Vocation Awareness

- The "travelling Chalice" is still in the care of the Shroeder family.

Faith Formation:

- The "Warming of our Hearts" event on Feb 10 went well. Tess shared some of the evaluations that people filled out. All want another event like this next year.
- Discussed April 24th Faith Formation evening and potential topics
- Fr. John to give an over view of his time in the Holy City. This will take the place of Faith Formation evenings during March and follow up after Stations on the Cross on March 10, 24 and April 07.

New Business:

- There is a need to bring in another speaker regarding the Muslim religion like we did last year for a Faith Formation evening
- Tom to follow up with speaker and author "Robert Spencer" regarding his work with Islam.
- Fr. John shared "Growing in Your Faith" ministry fair will be September 23rd and 24th.

Next Education Commission Meeting will be April 03, 2017 6:30 P.M. in the Elementary school Library