

MINUTES: Stewardship Meeting of May 21, 2007

Members present: Barbara Baumgartner, Margie Hubbell, Kathleen Simpson, Father Don

Members not present: Mary Ann Harrold, Melanie Atwood, Melissa Werst, Doug Erla, Anne Renton

Minutes: Father Don opened the meeting with the agenda for the Stewardship Committee to establish goals and actions plans for the coming year. These of course are to be a rough draft, with finalized approval from the committee members themselves at the next meeting. Next meeting to be on June 18, 2007 @ 7:00 p.m.

Stewardship Committee Purpose: To help parishioners in understanding their responsibilities and accountability as we exercise our gifts and talents.

- Goal #1: To explore strategies, organization, and jobs where parishioners exercise volunteer efforts.
- Action Plan #1: To develop printed resources for parishioners that describe opportunities available to be involved.
- Action Plan #2: To establish a data base to serve as the network of parishioners with time and talent.
- Action Plan #3: To develop a list of activities and interests for parishioners.
- Action Plan #4: To establish a survey to enlist time, talents and abilities.
- Goal #2: To create avenues for new parishioners to engage time and talents.
- Action Plan #1: To establish a Welcoming Committee to serve as hosts for new parishioners.
- Action Plan #2: To organize social opportunities to introduce new parishioners to each other and the parish quarterly.
- Action Plan #3: To develop a packet of information that helps new parishioners be aware of possible involvement.

- Goal #3: To be an advocate for affirmation, retention, and appreciation of volunteers.
- Action Plan #1: To offer a yearly free breakfast, luncheon or dinner to express appreciation of involvement.
- Action Plan #2: To develop social opportunities along age or gender lines and boundaries.
- Action Plan #3: To encourage other committees and ministries to express appreciation and recognition to volunteers for recent activities.
- Action Plan #4: To create personal expressions for individual recognition for key moments and passages in life.
- Action Plan #5: To seek out home-oriented people to serve as the authors of thanks and appreciation.
- Goal #4: To establish an atmosphere of welcome and friendliness
- Action Plan #1: To work with Liturgy Committee to establish a ministry of greeters of Mass.
- Action Plan #2: To use a "Christmas" tree (or something similar) in the narthex to encourage service and help as a "job jar" to recruit volunteers. (Like a giving tree)
- Action Plan #3: To provide a yearly ministry fair to help all committees get new volunteers.

Meeting closed @ 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Kathleen Simpson