

Northside Faith Formation Committee Notes

November 16, 2020

Attendees: Mary G, Jeanne B, Abby H, Kathy B, Jacqueline G, Edie M, Pam Y

1. Opening Prayer
2. DRE Report
3. At Home Family Packets
 - a. Evaluations – see DRE report for more info
 - i. Nice to see so many positive comments on job well done
 - b. Distribution
 - i. Several committee members offered to assist by delivering some of the remaining packets.
 - ii. Edie to provide addresses and make plans with members for delivery.
 - c. Next 4 packets distributed the first week of Jan.
 - i. Currently working on generating the content.
4. First Reconciliation
 - a. Classes and Retreat
 - b. Sacrament on Dec. 2 and Dec. 5
 - i. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** For ushering, candle lighting supervision and cleaning.
5. High School
 - a. Confirmation complete; held in November.
 - b. Virtual small groups are underway, but hard to engage kids.
 - c. Fundraiser – book sale through Ave Maria Press.
 - d. Made \$250 from Tiny Saints fundraiser.
6. Advent Small Groups
 - a. For adults, high schoolers and middle schoolers.
 - b. Sign up is underway.
7. Other
 - a. Kathy B. wondered if providing daily reflection booklets to parents for Advent/Lent would be helpful.
 - b. Father Mark has been asking for people to make cards for the elderly.
8. Next meeting: No need to meet in December.

Monday, January 18, 6:30 p.m. Virtual.

MEETING NOTES
PRAYER AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE
ST. DOMINIC PARISH
November 9, 2020 – 6:00pm A virtual Meeting

Present: Fr. Mark Brandl, Julie Bulkow, Laura Graney, Beth Munns, Rebecca Rupnick, Ann Scharrer, Pat Schmidt

Absent: Sue Sellars, Beth Ten Pas

1. Opening Prayer – Prayer of St. Francis led by Pat S.
2. Review Oct.5th Meeting notes – reviewed and approved
3. Calendar - no new dates discussed. Advent begins with Nov. 28/29 weekend, Immaculate Conception will be Monday, Dec. 7th at 5:30pm. Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Mass times for all three parishes will be finalized and publicized soon.
4. Headlines and Concerns – Christmas Flower/Environment donation request need to be publicized soon. Beth will bring this up at the SNCP staff meeting Nov. 10.
5. Observers' perspective of recorded Masses – sound problems at several Facebook Masses at St. Dominic and Holy Name – cantor is too loud, congregational singing can't be heard. Beth has discussed this with Dave and will look further into having someone adjusting volume during the Mass at St. Dominic.
Can the Mass date or Liturgical Week number be visible on the Facebook Masses? Can the Creed be visible on the Facebook Masses? Beth will check on this with Jacqueline. BEGINNING WITH THE NOV. 14/15 WEEKEND, WE WILL ALL SAY THE NICENE CREED.
There is concern how bags on the mics look but we will continue to use them during COVID. We will continue to mention the name of the Mass intention before Mass begins but will change the last intercession read by the lector to: "We pray for the repose of the soul of (name) for whom this Mass is intended"
The worship aid on the website is difficult to locate for those worshipping from home. Beth will bring this up at the staff meeting.
6. Advent Wreath lighting – Beth will check with Edie who is coordinating families to participate.
7. Christmas Prep, what is needed – The theme: We Never Give Up - Hope, Peace, Joy, Love will be emphasized in the environment, screen slides, music, homilies, website, bulletins, etc.
8. Human Concerns - Pat reported on the activities which are planned: the report will be included as a separate attachment to the minutes.
9. Other - none
10. Next Zoom Meeting will be Monday, Feb. 8th with Ann S. as chair
11. Closing Prayer – The Our Father, led by Pat S.

Notes Prepared by Beth Munns

Verbal Notes presented by Pat Schmidt pertaining to
SD Human Concerns Meeting held on November 5, 2020

1. Undie Sunday for the Veterans at Zablocki Hospital kicked off this past weekend at all 3 Northside Catholic Parishes
2. The Food Pantry has made a smooth transition to their new location. Weekly numbers have been around 50. They are expecting the number to climb with the closing of the southside location which offered fresh produce off Racetrack Road. Our Food Pantry will be open the Wednesday before the upcoming holidays: November 25th, December 23rd and December 30th.
3. The Elizabeth Ministry collected \$730.00 which included cash and gift cards during the month of October for Anchor of Hope Pregnancy Center
4. St Dominic hosted the Emmaus Meal this past Saturday serving Kentucky Fried Chicken to go. One of our parishioner's, Dolores Miller, celebrating her 90th birthday covered the cost with any leftovers going to Safe Harbor. The owner of the Kentucky Fried Chicken is a parish member, so we were able to strike a discount.
5. The homebound along with parishioners over 75 will be receiving a Christmas card this year. The usual poinsettia plant will not be distributed this year.
6. The Warming Center will be operating this winter again at a new location - St Cyril & Methodius in the months of December, January and February
7. The Northside Catholic Parishes will sponsor Laundry Love on Tuesday, November 10th at Midway Laundry. Our clients are given vouchers from Salvation Army, Anchor of Hope and Catholic Charities.
8. Making Spirits Bright will be manned by the Northside Catholic Parishes on Sunday 12/27 for a 2-hour shift.
9. There will be no bell ringing organized by St Dominic this year as Pick and Save and other stores do not want to be liable for the spread of Covid. There will be an article in the bulletin directing those interested in ringing to the Salvation Army website to sign-up at other locations.
10. The Thanksgiving Box project will be held on Saturday, November 21st at St Dominic. Recipients are being asked to pick up their box of food and if not possible, deliveries will be arranged. The 3 parishes and Blessed Trinity have collected about \$17,000 thus far and there are over 400 needy families. Any additional monies collected will be used in the form of gift cards at Christmas.

MEETING NOTES
PRAYER AND WORSHIP COMMITTEE
ST. DOMINIC PARISH
October 5, 2020 – 6:15 P.M. A Virtual Meeting

Present: Laura Graney, Beth Munns, Rebecca Rupnick, Ann Scharrer, Pat Schmidt,
Absent: Fr. Mark Brandl, Sue Sellars, Beth Ten Pas

1. **OPENING PRAYER-** Psalm 23 led by Beth
2. **Reviewed Minutes-** February 10, 2020 meeting notes approved
Laura reported that the missing tablecloths, mentioned in Feb, were found.
3. **Calendar-**
 - October 31st Memorial Mass procedures are ready, process determined for collecting names of deceased, names to be read at both masses that weekend, special Native American flute music and candle lighting only at 5pm,
 - Advent Theme has been determined by SCNP Liturgy committee: We Never Give Up
 - Making Spirits Bright- St. Dominic signed up for supplying help on 12/27/2020 from 5-7pm.
4. **Headlines and Concerns-** Welcome to this committee, Rebecca Rupnick, as liaison to the Parish Council. Rebecca is also an active member of the Lector Ministry.
5. **Shout Out of Recognition for Jacqueline Guilbeault-** Beth will put something in the bulletin to recognize and thank Jacqueline for her commitment and fine job of videotaping masses to make them available online. She has been doing this since last spring. Addition of words to the Psalm response was noted. Ann asked if it was possible to have the words to the Creed available as well to assist participation of at home viewers.
6. **Communication to priests-** the topic of requesting that themes are highlighted by our priests during weekend masses was a topic of concern from the Elizabeth Ministry. October is a month dedicated to honoring the Blessed Mother and Respect Life Month. Beth shared that the theme was mentioned in the liturgy script several times. Ministry concerns were that the priests did not say anything specifically to kick off the month long theme. Information was shared with priests at the SNCP liturgy planning meeting.

Also, Ann will contact Mary Petrie to suggest that the 2 Elizabeth Ministry Announcements be listed in sequence.
7. **Liturgy Writers needed-** Our parish is down to only a few remaining liturgy writers who have given their time to this ministry for years. Ceil Mondloch and Jo MIsna. We need more people to help fill this role. Liturgy writers have many available resources in hard copy as well as compute files of liturgies used in the past. Beth will ask Sue Sellars, Lector Ministry chair, to approach current lectors to consider a role in this ministry as they understand the flow and wording of liturgies (intentions).
8. **Mass Intentions at the beginning of Mass-** Announcing who the Mass Intention is being offered for, at the beginning, would allow us to prayerfully remember the intention as well as open up another spot during the Prayers of the Faithful. Beth will bring this topic up at the next staff meeting.

9. **Other-** Laura Graney spoke on behalf of the Parish Council as she wanted to know which members of this committee would continue on as co-chairs so that it could be available for the Time/Talent Booklet. Beth Munns and Pat Schmidt will be co-chairs as Ann Scharrer is stepping down.

10. **Next Zoom Meeting Nov 9th.** This committee would like to make it possible for Fr. Mark and or Fr Norbie to attend these Prayer and Worship meetings. By holding the meeting after the Monday evening 5pm Mass it is hoped that it will be conducive to their schedules. ____ will chair the meeting.

11. **Closing prayer-** Following the saying of the Our Father, the meeting closed at 7:15

Notes prepared by Ann Scharrer.