

St. Constance Parish – Evangelization Committee – Thursday, January 19, 2012

The Evangelization Committee of St. Constance Parish held their meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2012 in the Parish Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Fr. Leo, Bernadine Shook, Chris Haynes, Maria Langlois, Tim Herbert, Brian and Sue Squiers, Debbie Schrandt, Joe Hedden, Terri Kondziela, Monika Chaney

Fr. Leo led the Opening Prayer.

Approval of minutes January 2, 2012.

Detailed discussion of Christmas survey and approach to take: overall positive feedback; what can we do to involve people and encourage them to participate, to grow as a parish; building relationships is up to us, relationships are what make the parish work; challenge ourselves to participate and encourage others.

Action 1: Explain in bulletin and/or by announcement about the group activities in our parish, what they are and when they meet, i.e. “Buttons and Bows”.

As a group when we feel something positive we need to share it. We are the core group. Ask parishioners, “What would deepen your relationship with God”.

Action 2: Fellowship weekend event February 4 and 5: make announcement at mass that the Evangelization Committee will be available at fellowship after mass; we also will encourage and invite parishioners to fellowship with us. Debbie Schrandt will make name tags.

Fr. Leo met with Paco Gavrilides re: Christmas Survey and Lenten Program.

Survey: from question three and four on survey: not enough people upset about a certain issue to address, will do more harm than good. Focus on the positive. Let people know how well they are doing.

Lenten program: four sessions over five weeks, theme will be Jesus 24/7, how God touched my life.

Action 3: To play the DVD ‘Everyday God’ on the first Sunday in Lent, January 26, after Communion.

Budget discussed. What budget should we be under?

Action 4: Fr. Leo to discuss with Finance Council.

Year of Faith is October 11, 2012 to November 24, 2013.

Action 5: Think of what we might do in Year of Faith?

For next meeting agenda:

a. this group take responsibility to call from green church envelopes, new parishioners and follow-ups.

Action 6: Fr. Leo will give us an outline on how he proceeds.

b. Discuss the article ‘How to Defend the Faith’.

Next EC meeting is Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Terri Kondziela, EC Secretary