

## St. Constance Parish - Evangelization Committee - Monday, January 2, 2012

The Evangelization Committee of St. Constance Parish held their meeting on January 2, 2012 in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Fr. Leo, Pat von Steeg, Maria Langlois, Chris Haynes, Joe Hedden, Bernadine Shook, Monika Chaney, Terri Kondziela, Tim Herbert, Maryjo Maffessoli

Fr. Leo led the opening prayer with reading from Numbers 11: 24-30.

Discussion re: Why Catholics will not come back and/or receive communion.

Video: Catholics Come Home

Review of Christmas surveys from Christmas and New Year masses

Survey discussion and categorizing responses:

1. What part of the mass really helped me? homily
2. I felt welcome because: Fr. Leo, friendly, ushers
3. I have been upset with the Catholic Church because: mass changes, scandal, change rules without input from parishioners, no reverence at St. Constance, sign of peace not appropriate during mass
4. I am confused about: Catholic rules, why bad things happen to good people, prayers to Mary instead of Jesus, how long the mass is
5. There is someone sick in my family. Please visit: several of these given to Father Leo

Results of survey: 126 responses

Action 1: 49 with names and/or addresses to be contacted immediately by letter or phone call with the most urgent to be addressed by Fr. Leo personally. Tim and Marie volunteered to do thank you letters/calls to all who responded with a name and address. It was agreed that this action must be done as soon as possible. Fr. Leo will review all responses prior to above action.

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Action 2: Fr. Leo will address concerns in a series of articles in bulletin.

Discussion on activities for Lenten program. Suggestion to do Catholics Come Home video or to have Paco as a guest speaker.

Terri Kondziela will be representative for this committee at Parish Council.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 19, 2012

Purpose: Lenten program. Schedule Paco to come meet with us at this meeting to discuss a program for Lent.

Respectfully submitted by: Terri Kondziela, EC Secretary